



SACRED HEART BEAT

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NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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Catholic Marriage Defined Part 1

The Church defines marriage as a lifelong union of one man and one woman, a union which is open to the begetting and raising of children. There is no other kind of union that can be called marriage. Why? Because the begetting of children is a sacred reality since God is directly involved, giving each child an immortal soul. It is to the married couple that God had given the responsibility of the raising of their children – this is a sacred trust.

No human authority has the right to change the basic reality of marriage and family.

But it is possible that two people of the same sex can feel strong affection for one another. Isn't it a matter of civil rights that these two could enter into a same sex marriage?

The Church would put the question differently: "Why does the Church oppose the redefinition of marriage, such that it is no longer the same social institution?" The Church opposes giving up a conception of marriage in which the complementarity (the mutual supplying of what the other lacks) of the man and woman is the defining feature, and replacing it with a conception of marriage where the mutual supplying of what the other lacks of the man and woman is completely accidental to it.

Marriage, in all ages and under all forms, has been defined by the complementarity of male and female or the mutual supplying of what the other lacks. Marriage is ordered, as that complementarity is ordered, toward procreation.

When marriage is redefined so that it can include a type of couple that, by its very type, and not be the accidents of circumstances or ill fortune, is incapable of procreative union, then we have endorsed a public, social declaration that procreation is completely accidental and not in any way intrinsic to its meaning. It means we are, as a society, declaring that procreation is completely accidental and irrelevant to its identity.

Is it a good thing when procreation is no longer a primary end of any social unit, but just something that is accidental? Is the child then to be seen just as a manufactured product, a commodity, a product of technology?

MARCH 2015 FINANCES

INCOME:

Collections	20,102.19
Special Donations	1,310.58
Endowment	
Interest	4.89
Farm	
PSR	
Fundraisers	
Miscellaneous	<u>2,038.61</u>
TOTAL	\$23,456.27

EXPENSES:

Stewardship	1,662.89
Salaries	11,729.53
Insurance	1,680.00
Utilities	2,801.42
Maintenance	208.59
Improvement	
Office	1,800.24
PSR	497.89
Farm	
Miscellaneous	<u>25,578.45</u>
TOTAL	\$45,959.01



May 3, 2015

On Sunday, May 3rd during the 10:30 AM Mass, Six children of the parish will be receiving their First Communion: **Camden Bird, Brady Carlson, Autumn Holopirek, Deacon Martin, Audrey Sanger and Teagan Walker.** Special thanks to Krysten Watkins and Judy Damm, Catechists and Phil & Ann Schreiber and Darrell & Jean Tanner, Laudators. Many blessings to these children and their families on this special occasion.



Graduates' Mass May 17, 2015

On Sunday, May 17th we invite our High School graduates of the parish to celebrate their achievements with us at our 10:30 AM Mass. We offer congratulations to and blessings upon: **Jeromy Bartz, Alysa Byrum, Keshia Garcia, Alexis Langdon, Marley Palmer, Maci Perez, Shaylene Shepherd, Marissa Smith, Hannah Smyth, Bryce Walker** and all in our parish who are graduating this spring. We pray for success and happiness to each of you!

COMMUNITY MEAL

(Summer Food Service Program)

This program provides a free meal from May 26th through July 31st for all children ages 1-18 (Adults can eat for \$3.70) each Monday-Friday from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm at the United Methodist Church, 701 Main St, Larned. Sacred Heart has volunteered to provide help with preparing, serving meals and cleaning up the week of July 6-10. A sign-up sheet is in the church vestibule if you would be able to help. Questions? Contact Sharon McGinness at 285-6382.

FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met April 21st
- ❖ Members present: Bob Haymaker, G.L. VonFeldt, Dennis Wilson, Jim Damm, Kathy Couchman, Pam Huffles & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Leon Sanders, Don Jensen & Jack Molleker.
- ❖ Minutes of the March 17, 2015 meeting were approved as presented.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial report for March reflecting \$23,456.27 in income and \$45,959.01 in expenses for a net loss of \$22,502.74. The balance sheet showed assets of \$537,941.89 compared to \$524,498.72 at the end of March 2014.
- ❖ Bishop Brungardt sent a letter granting exemption from the normal 10% stewardship to the diocese on monies raised for our Capital Campaign for a new formation/parish center.
- ❖ The group reviewed three bids from OPI for copiers to replace the current one. All three machines would have the current maintenance plan. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to buy the used color machine, as long as it still had several years left in it (Pam will check with OPI). If the used machine has a short life span, the new color copier will be purchased.
- ❖ Next meeting: May 19, 2015 @ 12:00 Noon.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met April 16th
- ❖ Members present: Matt Stucker, Dennis Theis & Fr. Warren. Guests: Tom Giessel & Dave Zecha. Unable to attend: Sr. Rebecca, Mary Perez, John Kelty, Philip Hammeke & Berny Unruh.
- ❖ Tom and Dave gave a brief report on the status of our capital campaign. The building committee and Fr. Warren asked for Pastoral Council's approval of naming the day chapel in our new formation/parish center "Holy Rosary". Matt will contact the members not present to get their opinions and report back to the council and Fr. Warren.
- ❖ Discussed upcoming elections and a replacement for Michael Klemens who will be moving in May.
- ❖ Next meeting: May 21, 2015 @ 6:30 PM

SACRED HEART ALTAR SOCIETY

- ❖ Met April 19th with 16 members attending.
- ❖ The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
- ❖ Cindy Perez gave an update from the Raffle Committee. The raffle drawing will be at our Capital Campaign Celebration. The lucky chance basket fundraiser will be at our soup supper planned for this fall.
- ❖ Letters were read from the Pawnee County Extension Office "Summer Food Buddies Program and Community Meals Summer Program accepting donations and/or volunteers to help. Following discussion it was decided Altar Society would volunteer a week to help prepare food for the Community Meals Program and donate \$220.20 to sponsor one child for the summer for the Summer Food Buddies Program.
- ❖ Flowers will be delivered in May to our parish shut ins and cards sent to our honorary members.
- ❖ Pam Huffles gave an update on the new Dillons Reward Program and encouraged members to enroll if they haven't yet.
- ❖ The Heart to Heart Ministry committee is asking Altar Society if they would be willing to take meals to individuals or families in need due to illness, etc. Mary will get more information and report back.
- ❖ A motion was made and passed to have the ABC Sale on Oct. 9-10, 2015. It was discussed that ½ of the proceeds will go to Altar Society with the other half to be decided at a later date.
- ❖ A motion was made and seconded to hold a soup supper on Sunday, November 8th, 2015 at the SHS gym at 12:00 pm. A committee was formed. Barbara Penka volunteered to make homemade noodles.
- ❖ The meeting closed with The Memorare.
- ❖ Next meeting: July 12, 2015 @ 5:00 PM



PSR NEWS

The last PSR class was Wednesday. Our Family Night BBQ will be at 6:30, May 6th.

I know the seniors started counting day's months ago, but I think the younger folk also joined in with this tradition. The end of something is always anticipated with eagerness, anxiety, and maybe a few moments of sadness. It can mark a new beginning, a change of venue, or even a new stage of life.

All year our PSR young people have learned about changes. Ones that Jesus went through as He traveled among people teaching about His Father's ways and love for all. Do you think He counted days knowing that His time with us would soon end? Do you think He was eager or sad?

What PSR Offers is to witness our faith through our family, through our parish, through the Bible, and through the world around us. And though we all will "count the days" numerous times, we can count on taking the next step with God always by our side. We have learned this...we have witnessed this...we can believe this!

Thank you to the catechists, the laudators, the families, Fr. Warren, and our parish for your wonderful support for our young people and our PSR program! We have been blessed by all of you!

God Bless!

Brenda Johnson, DRE

Website Sponsorships Available!

- In the weeks ahead, our parish representative from Solutio, Inc., will be setting up the advertising for our website for the year.
- Please consider participating in this effort since the revenue from the ads is what make the website possible at **no cost** to the parish.
- It's a great way to get your name in front of the families in the parish. Advertisements may be purchased for a business, family memorial, or you can sponsor an ad supporting Catholic Charities, Knights of Columbus, Vocations, etc.
- Please give these ideas some thought. We need and appreciate your help! If you are interested or just curious as to prices and want more information, please contact 620-910-9583 or Sponsorship@SolutioSoftware.com

May Birthdays

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| (01) Mary Ann Haynes | (18) Theresa Kreutzer |
| (03) Camden Bird | Jenny Ramsey |
| Sue Hickel | Kasie Rector |
| Caden Kelty | (20) Julie Snyder |
| Trenton Wright | (21) Julie Schartz |
| (04) Stephen Schartz | (22) Joe Garcia |
| (05) Candi Kyler | Dallas Munden |
| Jo Molleker | Justin Smith |
| (06) Rita Schaller | (23) Rebecca Hulsey |
| (07) Scott Burd | Darlene Orth |
| Ann Ellis | Ralph Streit |
| Faith Kelty | G.L. VonFeldt |
| (08) Emmet Fisher | (24) Jeanette Johnson |
| Grace Fisher | (25) Gary Hulsey |
| Sarah Fisher | Jerry Johnson |
| Todd Keenan | Bodie Millan |
| (11) Kristen Snodgrass | Caleb Sanger |
| (12) Clint Millan | (26) Faye Hogan |
| Jordan Turner | (28) Kylee Reece |
| (13) Robert Lemuz | Khloe Smith |
| (14) Braden Colglazier | (29) Lonnie Fehrenbacher |
| Larry Skelton | Lee Gilcris |
| (15) Gillian Smith | (30) Shawn Couch |
| (16) William Brennan | Mary Kerns |
| (17) Bailey Schartz | Brenda Langdon |
| Tyler Smith | Sydnee Reed |
| | (31) Brianne Smith |
| | Lauryn Snodgrass |



May Anniversaries

- (10) Jim and Judy Damm
 (11) Leonard and Agnes Finger
 (14) Phil and Becky Martin
 (15) Joe and Julie Schartz
 (22) Bud and Brenda Johnson
 Jeff and Lucy Sickles
 (23) Charlie and Linda Befort
 (24) Mike and Julie Martel
 (25) Scott and Beverly Burd
 Luis and Tiffany Loya
 (26) Steve and Terry Martin
 (29) Norman and Karen Kuntz
 (31) Roger and Dee Myers



CONGRATULATIONS!

Leonard & Agnes Finger ~ Married 67 years



DIED IN CHRIST

H. "Byron" Stilts ~ April 8, 2015

KNIGHTS MAY EVENTS

May 3 LHS Athletic Banquet (G)
 May 5 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM



Remember with Prayer

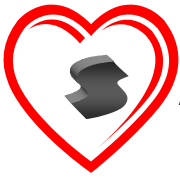
Coletta Meier	Elora Robinson
Mary Schartz	Charles Wonsetler
Fheno Perez	Pat Thompson
Maxine Ackerman	Elsie Jones
Grace Perez	Mickey Perez
Phyllis Neidig	Mary Ann Schartz
Kindra Perez	Clayton Kelty
Jayden Waller	Amy Herter
John Harmon	Catherine Orth
Sharon Larsen	Joyce Greathouse
Betty Tauscher	Susan 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

MAY AT A GLANCE

May 3 ~ First Communion with the 10:30 AM Mass
 May 3 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass
 May 5 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
 May 5 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 May 6 ~ PSR Family Night BBQ (Gr. Pre-12), 6:30 PM
 May 7 ~ Adult Religious Formation Commission Meeting, 7:00 PM
 May 10 ~ Mother's Day
 May 10 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass
 May 12 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 May 13 ~ Baccalaureate, 7:00 PM @ Community Center
 May 14 ~ Stewardship Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
 May 17 ~ Graduates' Mass, 10:30 AM
 May 17 ~ Children's Dismissal @ 10:30 AM Mass
 May 18 ~ Heart to Heart Ministry Meeting, 6:30 PM
 May 19 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
 May 19 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft
 May 20 ~ Adoration, 5:00 to 6:00 PM
 May 21 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
 May 25 ~ Parish Office Closed – Memorial Day Observed
 May 26-29 ~ Vacation Bible School, 9:00 to 12:00 Noon
 May 26 ~ Choir Practice, 7:00 PM, Choir Loft





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"Jungle Safari"

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

May 26-29
9:00 am - 12:00 Noon

Kindergarten through 4th Grade
at the United Methodist Church
701 Main Street

Sponsored by Sacred Heart,
First Presbyterian Church,
Garfield & Larned United Methodist Church