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NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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About the



REQUIREMENTS FOR SPONSORS AND/OR GODPARENTS

In choosing a godparent for the one to be baptized and/or a sponsor for the one to be confirmed, there are certain requirements of the church:

- a) Must be a baptized Catholic
- b) Is confirmed
- c) Has received Eucharist
- d) If married, is married by the church
- e) Faithful to weekend Mass
- f) One who is in good standing with the church
- g) One who will assist parents in raising the child in the faith
- h) One who desires to be a part of the child's life
- i) Is willing to model the faith for the child

God, please assist us in choosing a sponsor and/or godparent in conformity with the wishes of the church, one who will be a model of the faith to our child. Help us together with the sponsor/godparent to provide a good environment, conducive to the child's spiritual growth.

The Adult Religious Formation Team
(Direct questions to Sister Irene at 804-6039).

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WELCOMING PEOPLE TO OUR PARISH

In the next month, if ten visitors come to your Sunday liturgy, how many would you guess will return for a second visit?

According to Chris Walker, founder of EvangelismCoach.org, the answer is one or two. And can you guess the number-one reason the other eight to nine did not return? Because no one talked to them. The number-one thing most visitors are looking for is a friendly parish.

According to the Church Growth Institute, the first ten minutes of a visitor's experience are important. Those big evangelical mega-churches are big for a reason. Many of them have greeters in the parking lot, striking up what will be the first of many conversations a visitor to their churches is likely to have on any given Sunday.

Another crucial time is the ten minutes immediately *after the dismissal*. That is the time frame in which most newcomers make up their minds about the friendliness or unfriendliness of a parish.

So, when you see someone at Mass that you do not know, do you make an effort to meet them and welcome them to our parish? Do you want Sacred Heart to be known as a friendly and welcoming church? Three simple steps are all it takes: 1) See visitors; 2) Talk to visitors; and 3) Invite visitors. This is especially important when non-Catholics visit us, as most Protestant churches are considered to be friendlier than most Catholic parishes.

What do you think? Is this something our parish is already doing? Is it something you could be doing? What other ways can we welcome newcomers to our parish?

JULY FINANCES

INCOME:

Collections	19,299.78
Special Donations	310.00
Endowment	
Interest	4.55
Farm	
PSR	125.12
Fundraisers	480.00
Miscellaneous	<u>1,982.00</u>
TOTAL	\$22,201.45

EXPENSES:

Stewardship	3,187.40
Salaries	12,989.70
Insurance	1,428.00
Utilities	1,227.64
Maintenance	1,214.01
Improvement	
Office	1,498.47
PSR	982.65
Farm	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,736.88</u>
TOTAL	\$24,264.75

SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE

Sept 3 ~ Parish Office Closed, Labor Day
 Sept 4 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
 Sept 4 ~ Adult Religious Formation Team Meeting, 7:00 PM
 Sept 5 ~ Catechist Formation, 6-9 PM, St. Rose, Great Bend
 Sept 5 ~ RCIA, 7:15 PM, Parish Office
 Sept 9 ~ Parish Outreach, 11:30 AM
 Sept 12 ~ Catechist Meeting, 6:00 PM, Parish Office
 Sept 12 ~ RCIA, 7:15 PM, SHS Classroom
 Sept 16 ~ Catechetical Sunday with 10:30 AM Mass
 Sept 16 ~ After Mass Luncheon @ Peking Garden
 Sept 18 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
 Sept 18 ~ Liturgy Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM
 Sept 19 ~ Adoration, 5:30 PM
 Sept 19 ~ PSR Family Night, 6:30 PM, SHS Gym
 Sept 19 ~ RCIA, 7:15 PM, SHS Classroom
 Sept 20 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
 Sept 26 ~ PSR Begins, K-8 @ 6:30 PM, High School @ 7:00 PM
 Sept 26 ~ RCIA, 7:15 PM, SHS Classroom



FINANCE/PROPERTY COUNCIL

- ❖ Met August 21st
- ❖ Members present: Bob Haymaker, G.L. VonFeldt, Carol Jacob, Dennis Wilson, Sharon Larsen, Jim Damm, Don Jensen, Leon Sanders, Fr. Warren & Pam Hutfles.
- ❖ Minutes of the July 17th meeting were approved as corrected.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial reports for July reflecting \$22,201.45 in income and \$24,264.75 in expenses for a net loss of \$2,063.30. Bob thanked Pam & G.L. for compiling the budget for 2012-2013. The balance sheet reflects total assets of \$551,796.59 as of July 31, 2012 compared to \$530,722.28 at the end of July 2011.
- ❖ Old Business:
 - a. The group conducted a walk-around of the parish grounds on Aug. 15 and discussed the findings. John Hutfles contacted James Grover to trim and clean-up the deciduous trees. It was moved, seconded, and passed by majority that the Bradford Pear tree between the church and rectory be removed. It sits on the sewer line and a portion of the tree is dying. Shade alternatives were discussed. G.L. will ask Tim Schaller if he would remove the dying evergreens on the north side of the church as well as some shrubs on the south side after our final decision. He will report back next month.
 - b. Leon is seeking bids from a couple companies to install an irrigation system. We have designated 3 areas around the church.
 - c. USD 495-Tri-County has been billed for the 2012-2013 school year.
 - d. Dennis from H & B Video has changed out mixers in the choir loft and the front of the church which has improved the sound system. It was approved to purchase a wireless microphone and a wired microphone plus clean up the wire mess in the sound box for a little over \$1,000.
- ❖ New Business:
 - a. The liturgy committee has discussed enhancing the shrine areas at the front of the church. Possibilities for updating the area behind the statues include paint, fabric curtains, or tile. The company that is tiling the new hospital offered to lay any tiles we would choose at no cost to the parish. Tile samples have been ordered.
 - b. Discussed plans to have the church carpet and tiles under the pews professionally cleaned and have a parish workday to spruce up the church and grounds before our Centennial Celebration.
 - c. Don's request to purchase a replacement accordion door for the kitchen in the school was approved.
- ❖ Next meeting: September 18, 2012 @ 12:00 Noon.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met August 16th
- ❖ Members present: Michael Klemens, Mary Klinge, David O'Gwin, Barbara Hammond, Matt Stucker, Sr. Rebecca, & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Elaine Coulson, Philip Hammeke & Nicki Roof.
- ❖ Minutes of the July 19th meeting were approved.
- ❖ Discussed and reviewed the following items for our Centennial Celebration: The Centennial book is at the printer, plans to sponsor a Larned Chamber of Commerce Coffee Hour the Thursday before our Centennial Celebration, a day to spruce up the church, raffle, invitations, and assistance at the meal.
- ❖ Reviewed the Centennial Christmas ornament. Parishioners will be asked to reserve the number desired for a better estimate of the number needed to order.
- ❖ Fr. Warren reminded the Council that the Stewardship Conference is Aug. 25th at the Cathedral in Dodge City.
- ❖ Next meeting: September 20, 2012 @ 6:30 PM.



PSR NEWS

Ordering materials, getting Catechists, scheduling...now where are those "To Do" lists?? Where on my desk is my September calendar that I had finished? (Forgive me, Father.) Yup, I'm okay...every Wednesday is booked and ready for PSR...now I'll fill in the rest of my life! Thank goodness, I put God at the top of my lists! Without Him, where would I be?

September 5th and 12th involve only the PSR Catechists with Catechist Formation in Great Bend on the 5th and a 6:00 PM meeting here in the Parish Office on the 12th.

PSR Parents – Mark your calendars on the 19th and 26th! **September 19th** will be a PSR Family Night beginning at 6:30 PM in the school gym. All Sacred Heart families with Preschool (3-5) – 12th grade age children are invited to attend an evening of introductions, information...then some REFRESHMENTS and FUN!!

September 26th will be the first night of K-8 (6:30-7:30 PM) and 9-12 (7:00-8:00 PM) PSR classes. (Preschool Sunday dismissal will begin in October.) Registration is still open and forms may be found in the back of church, the Parish Office, and online at sacredheartlarned.org. Let's get PSR back on our "To Do" list!

Our catechists will be recognized on Sunday, September 16th during Catechetical Sunday Mass at 10:30 AM.

There will be lots of opportunities for parents and parishioners to become involved with the PSR classes this year! Please watch the weekly bulletins, newsletters, and any notes sent home with your child(ren). I'm looking forward to a great year and hope you are too! Join us in getting God back on top of our "To Do" list!

God Bless! Brenda Johnson, DRE



September Birthdays



September Anniversaries

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| (01) Deanna Finger
Andrew Froetschner
Clayton Kelty
Adrian Kimble | (16) Dalton Barker
Janell Barton
Vicki Perez
Fr. Warren Stecklein |
| (02) Joseph Theis | (17) Paulia Bailey
Kim Brennan |
| (03) Emily Bird | (18) Mike Schroeder
Dawn Smyth
Loretta Ulrey |
| (04) Jaden Carlson
Katie Keast
Amanda Lessard
Taylor Parr
Destiny Sandoval
Denny Zook | (21) Andreus Tucker
Jennifer Turner |
| (05) Jon Roy Kelty
Marshall Newell | (22) Catherine Orth
Chance Sanger |
| (06) Bert Frisbie
Tammy Hammond
Jim Zook | (23) De'Shaun Clark
Anna Hammond
Hector Marrufo |
| (07) Olivia Aguirre
Rusty Howard | (24) Brian Hammeke |
| (10) Michael Butler | (25) Jay Dee Schmidt
Ann Schreiber |
| (11) Kevin Colglazier
Terry Martin
Ron Reichuber | (26) Isaac Lemuz
Eric Roof
Stacy Sanger |
| (12) Brenda Johnson
Lane Schartz | (27) Brian Gillett |
| (13) Nevaeh Perez | (28) Isabella Garcia
Jason Skelton
Joan Wilson |
| (14) Alexandra Lessard | (29) Vernita Hodges |
| (15) Eleanor Bauer
Hunter Medina
Kay Schartz | (30) Matthew Sandoval |

- (01) Brad and Christie Colglazier
Bill and Mary Kerns
(04) Jeff and Tiena Byrum
(05) Paul and Susan Aistrup
Victor and Theresa Kreutzer
Jay Dee and Vera Schmidt
(08) Allen and Beverly Taylor
(10) Rusty and Ramona Howard
(12) Kevin and Felicia Davis
Terry and Shelly Stanton
(14) Randy and Emily Bird
(18) Tyson and Kathy Couchman
(20) Joe and Jean Simmons
(21) Allen and Carie Perez
(26) Shawn and Dawn Smyth
(27) John and Pam Hutfles
(28) Leonardo and Sonia Mabugat

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

KNIGHTS SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Sept 4 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
Sept 6 Farm Bureau Dinner (R)
Sept 8 Wedding Reception/Dance (G)
Sept 15 Class Reunion (R)
Sept 22/23 . . LHS Dinner Theatre (G)



CONGRATULATIONS!

Victor & Theresa Kreutzer ~ married 56 years
Jay Dee & Vera Schmidt ~ married 52 years
Rusty & Ramona Howard ~ married 35 years
Paul & Susan Aistrup ~ married 25 years
Shawn & Dawn Smyth ~ married 25 years



DIED IN CHRIST

Ryan McGinness ~ July 27, 2012
Roberta Grant ~ August 23, 2012

Remember with Prayer

Roberta Strobel
Marjorie Vratil
Lucille Fox
Mary Schartz
Curtis Smith
Armella Dechant
Calvin Blattner
Grace Perez
Phyllis Neidig
Kindra Perez
Ed Haremza
Jayden Waller
Chris Gross



Elora Robinson
Grace Sloan
Pat Thompson
Elsie Jones
Mickey Perez
Mary Ann Schartz
Clayton Kelty
Sr. Mary Ann Klein
Catherine Orth
Joyce Greathouse
Susan Colglazier
Betty Tauscher

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

From Scripture



Mark 9:30-37
Don't Be Afraid to Ask

To avoid detection, Jesus secretly entered Galilee and warned his disciples about the bad things that were going to happen. Although confused by this serious turn of events, the disciples didn't ask for an explanation. Instead they argued over who would get the best position in Jesus' kingdom.

Jesus told them that such a reward comes when we put others before ourselves. In particular, our reward for caring for people who can't repay us will come straight from God.

Why didn't the disciples ask Jesus to explain what was going on? Surely he would have told them what they needed to know. Perhaps they were afraid what he would say would make them uncomfortable or put them in danger. Don't we sometimes have the same fears? Yet Jesus assures us that he will always tell us what we need to know so we can be with him in Heaven. All we have to do is ask.



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