

St. Francis of Assisi Parish



August 27, 2017

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. C. Jarrod Lies, Pastor

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PARISH OFFICE/RECTORY

Phone • 316.722.4404

Office Hours • Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
Friday 8:30 am-2:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend • Saturday 8:00 am, 5:00 & 7:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 am & 1:00 pm

Weekdays • Monday-Friday 8:00 am & 5:30 pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Daily 4:50-5:25 pm, Saturdays 3:00-4:00 pm

Home Again

Joyfully I have finished my last summer in Detroit. For the last four years I have been going to Detroit for a five week summer session to study for a License in Sacred Theology with an emphasis in the New Evangelization.

I left on July 11 this summer and returned on August 16. It was a successful summer. I had two classes: Vatican II – History, Theology, Spirituality and The Teaching Office of the Church in the Code of Canon Law. Both of them were fascinating classes.

More importantly than taking those two classes – I was also able to make significant progress on writing my thesis. The thesis paper is the largest requirement of this entire program: a 75 – 100 page paper on a topic of my choice. The title of my thesis paper is *Stewardship in the Diocese of Wichita: A Grateful Response to God's Gifts*. It will be a summary of the practice of stewardship in the diocese of Wichita. It will include a discussion of the scriptural, magisterial, and pastoral foundations of the stewardship way of life. Over the summer I was able to get a complete first draft of this paper before returning home. This has put me ahead of schedule. I did not expect to have a first draft done until November!!

Some people have been asking me, “What is a License in Sacred Theology?” A “license” or a “licentiate” is a degree given by the Church that is higher than a master’s degree and less than a doctorate. The purpose of a licentiate degree is to facilitate further studies in particular fields of Church teaching such as Moral Theology, Systematic Theology, or Canon Law. The license I am getting, in the New Evangelization, focuses on Pastoral Theology. In other words, I am getting a higher degree studying methods and skills to be a better Pastor in a parish.

Other people ask, “What does it mean that your degree is in the New Evangelization?” The ‘New Evangelization’ is a phrase coined by Pope St. John Paul, II referring to proclaiming the Gospel with “new ardor, methods, and expression.” The New Evangelization is specifically designed to focus on people who were once Catholic but have fallen away from the Church. So basically, the program I have been in has exposed me to methods of sharing the Gospel with people who have stopped practicing their faith.

So, the final questions people have been asking is this, “How much longer till you finish the program?” Well, I have two things left to do. The first is to get my paper approved by the thesis director, which, as I have said, it is well on its way. The second is to do a final project which will be teaching a class to my professors at the school. Once I teach that class then I will officially be done with the program! And, brothers and sisters... I am ready to be done!

ADORATION CHAPEL

“Beholding is a way of hoping. ‘Great hope is I am definitely loved’...Before Christ’s gaze all falsehood melts away. This encounter with Him...transforms and frees us...His gaze...heals us...enabling us to become totally ourselves.”

Spe Salvi, Pope Benedict XVI

He is living there.

He wants us to speak to Him!



Urgent Need: Thursdays midnight-

1:00 am and Thursdays 1:00-2:00 am; Fridays 4:00-5:00 pm, 5:00-6:00 pm and 7:00-8:00 pm.

Call Sandy Rongish at 990-6647 or Jenny Morgan at 721-8871 if you would like to sign up.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SAID~

I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, say the Rosary, and spend 15 minutes meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the object of making reparation to me. June 13, 1917

BAPTISMS

If you are a registered member here at St. Francis and need to schedule a baptism please call the Church office, 722-4404.

COMPASSION WITHOUT BORDERS

There will be an informational meeting for Compassion Without Borders (CWB). This is kicking off a new group here at St Francis that formed in response to our Faith Forward efforts of the last year. We will have a guest speaker this *Sunday, August 27* at 2:00 pm in the church. Father Kiran Kumar Medipalli will give a presentation on the life of parishioners in the Diocese of Khammam, and how this ties in with CWB’s efforts. This Diocese is in the Province of Telangana, in Southeast India. Father Medipalli is the coordinator for their office. He also served as a priest in the U.S. for five years before his present assignment. Please join us to learn more about the work of CWB and Fr. Kiran.

RCIA

Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic faith? Fall RCIA (for adults) and RCIC (for children) classes begin *Wednesday, September 13*. Please contact Jeremy and Melissa Lezniak at jm.lezniak@gmail.com or call the Church office to register for classes or for more information.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

All couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries during the month of August are invited to the Anniversary Mass next *Sunday, September 3* at 8:30 am. Please sit in the front section of the Church. Join us for coffee and donuts in St. Bonaventure Center after mass.

Monday, August 28—Legion of Mary will meet in St. Bonaventure Center after the 8:00 am Mass.

Marian Mantle Rosary Group meets following the 8:00 am Mass to pray for loved ones who no longer practice the faith.

St. Francis Girls' Ensemble, 8th grade through high school, will rehearse from 7:00-8:00 pm in St. Clare Hall Music Room. All young ladies are welcome to join us.

Tuesday, August 29—The Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets in St. Bonaventure Center from 9:15-11:15 am. This week a study on the Apostles will be presented.

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Rosary Group prays the rosary each Tuesday at 7:30 pm in the Church. All are welcome. This week's petition is "Jesus, we pray for our Priests here at St. Francis. Continue to give them the strength and wisdom they need to lead our parish. Send the Holy Spirit to continue to guide them."

Wednesday, August 30—RCIA meets in St. Clare Hall from 6:30-8:00 pm.

St. Francis 10:00 Choir will rehearse at 7:00 pm in Clare Hall Music Room. Everyone, high school age and up, is invited to sing with us.

St. Francis Men's Ensemble will rehearse at 8:30 pm in Clare Hall Music Room. All men of the parish are welcome.

Thursday, August 31—Ladies Rosary Group will meet in St. Bonaventure Center from 10:00 am –12:00 pm. All ladies are welcome.

Friday, September 1—Bible Study. We will meet in St. Bonaventure Center after the 8:00 am Mass. We will be studying Universal Epistles.

Saturday, September 2—The Rosary will be prayed after the 8:00 am Mass in the church. All are invited.

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet after the 8:00 am Mass in St. Bonaventure Center. The St. Pio Prayer group meets the first Saturday of the month following Mass, Rosary and First Saturday devotions. Please join us. For more information please call Laura Bevis 214-2766.

Monday, September 4—Legion of Mary will not meet.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul will meet at 7:00 pm in the St. Agnes of Assisi Ministry House.

Wednesday, September 6—Mary's Moms Bible Study and Play Group in St. Clare Hall from 9:00-11:00 am. Our lesson this week is The Promised Mother.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Meets from 9:15-11:15 am in St. Bonaventure Center. Our fall session will begin *Tuesday, September 5* and we will be studying "The Wild Goose- Discovering A Deeper Relationship With The Holy Spirit" this is 14 sessions from Formed.org.

"STEWARDED OUR GIFTS: GO IN PEACE, GLORIFYING THE LORD BY YOUR LIFE"

Who are you following? The question is not unrelated to the one Jesus asks in today's Gospel: Who do people say that the Son of Man is? Surely we would all say that we are following Jesus, but who do you say that Jesus is? If you can't answer that question, then perhaps you do not know Him that well. Stewardship requires that we know, love, and serve our Lord, and those terms are properly ordered. Before we can love or serve Him, we must first know Him. So as followers of Jesus Christ, let us strive to know Him well in the hope that we can one day be with Him for eternity.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Will meet on *Tuesday, September 5* from 7:00-8:30 pm in St. Agnes Ministry House. The SFA Parish Nurse Ministry has formed this group for those that struggle with mental health issues and also for those close to them. All are welcome to join us the first Tuesday of every month, no registration is required and you can come to one or all of our gatherings. This is a safe place to come learn and share.

CELEBRATE MARY'S BIRTHDAY

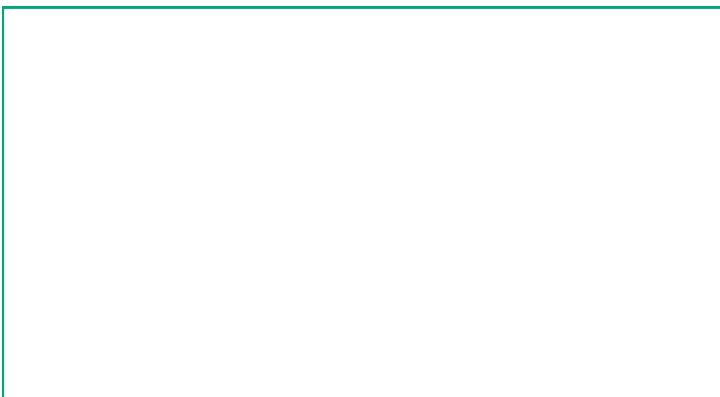
The Legion of Mary invites everyone to Mary's Birthday Party *Friday, September 8* at noon in Stewardship Hall. Special guests will be Second Grade students, their parents, grandparents and Legion of Mary Auxiliary members.

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Our bi-monthly meeting will be *Saturday, September 9* at 9:00 am in St. Bonaventure Center. Please bring your calling cards. If you are unable to attend, please call either Monica Hammer at 651-6102 or Marilyn Bundy at 722-5424.

GENERATIONS OF FAITH

Our next Generations of Faith Retreat will be held on *Sunday, October 1* from 5:00-7:30 pm. Registrations will take place the weekends of September 9 and 10 and September 16 and 17. Generations of Faith is a 2 1/2 hour mini retreat that begins with a light meal followed by age appropriate talks, ending in Corporate prayer. This retreat is designed for ages Kindergarten thru adult. Watch the bulletin and Vernacular for more information. Hope to see you all there!



WHAT CYM IS ALL ABOUT

The High School Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM) meets every Wednesday from 8:00-9:30 pm in Assisi Hall. This ministry here at SFA seeks to empower our young people to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ in our world today by drawing them into active participation in the life and mission of the Catholic Church. The eight components of Catholic youth ministry are constantly incorporated: advocacy, catechesis, community life, evangelization, justice and service, leadership development, pastoral care, and prayer and worship. We hope that all teens in the parish will join us each Wednesday night!

*“Mary, give me your Heart: so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate;
your Heart so full of love and humility
that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life
and love Him as you love Him
and serve Him in the distressing guise of the poor.”*

~Blessed Mother Teresa

HERE IS WHAT'S HAPPENING. . .

CYM meets on Wednesdays from 8:00-9:30 pm

- *Wednesday, August 30—CYM
- *Wednesday, September 6—Guest Speaker-Mr. Bitting
- *Sunday, September 10—Coffee and Rolls after 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses in the front walkway
- *Wednesday, September 13—Holy Hour and Confessions
- *Sunday, September 17—Coffee and Rolls after 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses in the front walkway
- *Wednesday, September 20—Guest Speaker-Mr Goertz
- *Sunday, September 24—Coffee and Rolls after 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses in the front walkway
- *Wednesday, September 27—Square Dancing with the Westside Steppers
- *Sunday, October 1—Coffee and Rolls after 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses in the front walkway
- *Wednesday, October 4—Bunco Tournament

JUNIOR CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (JCYM)

JCYM dates for this school year are October 4, November 4 (Middle School Youth Rally), December 6, January 3, February 7, March 7 and April 4. We meet in the school gym from 6:45-8:00 pm. JCYM is for the 6th, 7th and 8th graders of the parish. The night will include prayer, a guest speaker, music and games. Mark your calendar for our first JCYM this year on *Wednesday, October 4!*

MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

Is a mission/service experience through the St. Francis Catholic Youth Ministry. This event will take place *Saturday, October 14*. All high school students are encouraged to participate. The day will include 4 hours of service, games, Mass, and dinner. Please contact Emily Savage at esavage@stfranciswichita.com for more information. Registration is now open.

VIRTUS TRAINING AT ST. FRANCIS

The next Virtus training here at St. Francis will be *Saturday, September 9* in Stewardship Hall from 9:00 am-noon. Pre-registering by going to www.virtus.org is highly suggested.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Parish nurses will be in the Bride's Room in the back of church after all the Masses the weekend of September 9 & 10.

NIGHT FEVER

This is a Parish Adoration Service (with a twist). On *Sunday, September 10* come adore Jesus in the main assembly of the church. Come for just a few minutes, 20 minutes or more - what ever time works for you! Bring the whole family (all ages) to experience what it means to “Pray in the Presence of the Lord”. Night Fever will take place within the time frame of 6:30-8:30 pm with moments of silence, reflection, prayer and music. Come and experience this unique form of worship. Come experience, “Night Fever”. Jesus will see you there!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY – BISHOP ROBERT BARRON’S “PRIEST, PROPHET, KING”

Jesus is the Anointed One – the ultimate priest, prophet and king foreshadowed throughout the Hebrew Scriptures. Join us as we deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ through Bishop Robert Barron's video study program. Explore the biblical archetypes of priest, prophet and king and see how Jesus is the ultimate fulfillment of each one. Throughout this experience, you will better understand who Jesus really is and also realize your own priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission. Participants may choose to attend either:

- Sunday mornings beginning on September 10 at 9:45 am OR
 - Wednesday evenings beginning on September 13 at 6:30 pm
- All classes are held in Stewardship Hall on the SFA campus. The cost per participant is **\$25** for the study guide. Please register in advance so materials may be ordered; to register contact Julie Schoenberger at djschoen1@cox.net or call 644-7285.

K-8 PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)

It is time to register! The PSR program is for all K-8 students to learn more about our Catholic faith and grow in relationship with Jesus Christ. To register for the 2017-2018 Parish School of Religion classes, go to www.stfranciswichita.com, and click on Ministries, Education, & Parish School of Religion. You will find links to register and the calendar for the year. The Parent Welcome Meeting is *Wednesday, September 6* at 6:30 pm in the school cafeteria and classes start *Wednesday, September 13*. There is a \$20 family fee due on *Wednesday, September 6*. For more information contact Kelly Brandt at stfranciswichitapsr@gmail.com or call 316-641-1022.

SFA YEARBOOKS

Any SFA 8th grader from last year who ordered a yearbook can come to the SFA school office to pick it up. If anyone would like a year book, but did not order one we have extras that can be purchased.

THANK YOU ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

The following charities would like to thank St. Francis of Assisi parishioners for donating much needed items to the Charities Committee Summer Harvest.

Center of Hope Guadalupe Clinic
Dear Neighbor Ministries

The donated items will be very much appreciated by those we serve.

JOIN BISHOP KEMME AT A DIOCESAN LISTENING SESSION

Bishop Kemme would like to hear your responses to the following three questions that will be posed at diocesan listening sessions:

- As a diocese, what do we do well?
As a diocese what could we be doing better?
As a diocese what should our pastoral priorities be for the next three to five years?

The first session is this Sunday, August 27 at 3:00 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Other sessions will be held at various locations around the diocese until the last one on Saturday, November 18. For a full listing of dates and places for the sessions, go to the "Listening Session" link under "Find It Here" on the homepage of our diocesan website (www.catholicdioceseofwichita.org). On that page, you may also submit your written responses if you are unable to attend a listening session in person. To register to attend a session, please call the Chancery at 316-269-3900 or e-mail winslowt@catholicdioceseofwichita.org.

THE MESSENGER BIBLE STUDY

Is in need of a Teacher Assistant. This Bible Study Group is for persons with intellectual and other developmental disabilities. The Group meets every Monday night during the school year (September-May). For more information, please contact Myra Jacobs at the Ministry with Persons with Disabilities Office at 316-269-3900.

TRILINGUAL VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS

A Trilingual (Vietnamese, Spanish and English) Virtus Training Session will be held at St. Margaret Mary on Sunday, August 27 from 3:00-6:00 pm. For more information call Patty at 269-3900 ext. 150.

LET'S TALK TRASH

The annual Bishop Carroll Trash Bag Sale begins August 30 and runs thru September 22. The durable yellow lawn bags, white kitchen bags, and degradable lawn and kitchen bags are available again this year. If you are not contacted by a Bishop Carroll student, we encourage you to seek one out since the fundraiser is also a "friendly" competition between the new communities this year at BC. Of course, you may also place an order by calling the BCCHS Office at 722-2390. Thank you for your continued support of BCCHS.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday, August 28
8:00 am John & Anna Eck
5:30 pm Bill Uhler
Tuesday, August 29
8:00 am John Buchanan
5:30 pm Donald Dagenais
Wednesday, August 30
8:00 am Judy Shinogle
5:30 pm Marc Perez, Jr.
Thursday, August 31
8:00 am Derrol Dvorak
5:30 pm Arnold Zimmerling
Friday, September 1
8:00 am For Vocations
5:30 pm Joseph Testa
Saturday, September 2
8:00 am For Priests
5:00 pm Tim Danahy
7:00 pm For the People
Sunday, September 3
7:00 am John Gutierrez
8:30 am Terry Rhodes
10:00 am Alice Helser
11:30 am Norbert Schnieder
1:00 pm Thao, Hoi and Kim Do

SERVERS/MC'S

WEEKDAY LECTORS

- Monday, August 28
8:00 am E. Neville/E. Commodore
5:30 pm B. Zamzow/J. Palmer Renee Hein
Tuesday, August 29
8:00 am C. Seiler/P. Burns
5:30 pm B. Booth/B. Newman Ron Helten
Wednesday, August 30
8:00 am B. Voegeli/M. Zwenger
5:30 pm G. Ternes/J. Bracy Steve Hermann
Thursday, August 31
8:00 am C. Hampel/F. Barles
5:30 pm E. Niedens/T. Stewart John Hermann
Friday, September 1
8:00 am B. Munk/M. McMullen
5:30 pm A. Mauler/M. Fouquet
Saturday, September 2
8:00 am K. Forbes/L. Forbes
5:00 pm J. Lynch/K. Gulick/L. Becker/F. Barles
7:00 pm E. Iseman/L. Timmermeyer/M. Gallant/I. Iseman
Sunday, September 3
7:00 am E. Gregg/J. Miller/L. Munoz
8:30 am G. Sladek/J. Lara/L. Taylor/B. Ely
10:00 am I. Sanchez/J. Stephenson/S. Charlton/J. Vo
11:30 am A. Harter/G. McElhiney/H. Faber/B. Daigle
1:00 pm A. Vopat/A. Bye/G. Ast/E. Zink

ELIJAH CUP

Please check in with Priest before Mass. To sign up please call the Church Office at 722-4404

- September 2-3—Hailey Faber Family
September 9-10—Christine Eberle Family



MUSIC SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 2—5:00 pm Patrick Harms/Reagan Haneberg
 7:00 pm Maddie Shoup/Clare Morgan
Sunday, September 3—8:30 am Ryan Dick/Mary Lou Harding
 10:00 am Matthew Schippers/Traditional Choir
 11:30 am Matthew Ho/Girls' Ensemble
 1:00 pm Sr. Stephanie Heskamp/Dominic Bacha

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**Saturday, September 2**

5:00 pm Jean & Bill Heimann/Fey Barles
 Janice McClure/Kay Suchan
 7:00 pm Amy & Don Brugman/Lisa Hinson
 Stacy Bennett/Michael Skaggs

Sunday, September 3

7:00 am Linda Shinogle/Mary Carter/Rita Landwehr
 Sarah Westbury/Jim Rundell
 8:30 am Kay & Leroy Goodknight/Dwayne Dugan
 Joseph Hein/Thomas Mayhill
 10:00 am Julie & Greg Morgan/Need Volunteer
 Linda Looney/Monica Hammer
 11:30 am Kathleen & Robert Timmermeyer/Jerry Pates
 Maggie & Robert Orris
 1:00 pm Carole Conley/Collette Schumacher/Need Volunteer
 Steve Gonzales/Tom Eckberg

LECTOR / COMMENTATOR**Saturday, September 2**

5:00 pm
 7:00 pm

Sunday, September 3

7:00 am
 8:30 am
 10:00 am
 11:30 am
 1:00 pm

Saturday, September 9

5:00 pm
 7:00 pm

Sunday, September 10

7:00 am
 8:30 am
 10:00 am
 11:30 am
 1:00 pm

OFFERTORY GIFTS**Saturday, September 2**

5:00 pm Ron & Tina Lee
 7:00 pm Jeremy & Melissa Lezniak

Sunday, September 3

8:30 am Anniversary Couple
 10:00 am Spencer & Sarah Landers
 11:30 am Youth Group
 1:00 pm Phuoc & Hong T Le

Saturday, September 9

5:00 pm David & Patricia Lies
 7:00 pm Michael & Devona Lies

Sunday, September 10

8:30 am Roger & Judy Lashley
 10:00 am Jeremy & Trena Lopez
 11:30 am Daniel & Carolyn Loughman
 1:00 pm William & Angela Lubbers

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: After weekend Masses by appointment only. Parents registered here at St. Francis please call the church office at 722-4404.

Matrimony: Call the priest at the Rectory at least 9 months in advance.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Donna: (8:00 am-6:00 pm).....

Kevin or Karen: (6:00-10:00 pm)

E-mailsfapraychain@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #4118 316.461.6481

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA LIBRARY

Hours: Friday 8:30-9:30 am & Sunday 9:30 am-1:00 pm.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Call 706-7185 between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm.

UNPLANNED PREGNANCY?

Phone 1.800.848.LOVE

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Those interested in attending NFP classes may contact the diocesan office at 316-685-6776. Website: www.nfpwichita.org.

PROJECT RACHEL

If you or a friend is hurting from an abortion, please call 316-634-1300 today.

LOST AND FOUND

Please check Lost and Found in front walkway. Items will only be kept for two weeks before donating to Good Will.

CHANGES

Please keep the Church Office informed of changes in names, addresses, phone numbers, etc. By letting us know you have moved, we can save money on postage returns and keep our membership roster up to date.

BULLETIN NOTICES

Must be submitted to church office no later than 9:00 am Tuesday.