

Sacred Heart Church

332 North Oak Street, Pratt, Kansas 67124



JUNE 24, 2018

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Tiny fingers and toes. A little yawn. A loud cry. An infant wrapped in swaddling clothes. "What will this child be?" It is a question every parent asks time and time again. As first steps are taken, as personalities emerge, as a child shows interest in reading or drawing or climbing, the question is on our lips. "What will this child be?" This question is asked as John the Baptist is born. Will he be a priest like his father? Does his strange, unexpected name signal a departure from that inheritance? Could Elizabeth and Zechariah ever have predicted what would be?

Under the tutelage of his priestly father, John "became strong in spirit." As an adult, John would retreat into the desert to preach repentance. He would attract a large following and eventually attract the attention of the rulers of the day. He would point out the adulterous ways of King Herod and would find himself in prison. Eventually, he would be beheaded. But today, he is a child, an infant newly born.

On this special feast, we're reminded of the great humility required of parents. The character formation, the discipline and encouragement, the violin lessons and soccer practices? every parental effort is subjected to the decisions of the child himself. Even children on a sure track by high school graduation transform under life's circumstances. Entrusting our children to God can be incredibly intimidating. "What will this child be," especially when that transformation lies outside of my control? John the Baptist's story might not have ended as his parents imagined. But he is celebrated as the greatest of the prophets, as the one who prepared the way for the Messiah. Here is the hope of all Christian parents -- that our children would be raised in such a way that when people meet them, they meet Jesus Christ.

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Lunch taken 1pm-2pm

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Church Website:
www.sacredheartpratt.com

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Sacraments

Penance: Saturday: 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Baptism: Contact the church office at 672-6352

Marriage: Diocesan policy requires a minimum of a four month preparation period. Please make early arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick: On the Fourth Thursday of every month at the Ministry of Praise Mass or by appointment.



NOTICES

ADULT EDUCATION

Formed.org parish code: VFMVGH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sun Jul 8 to Fri Jul 13 Totus Tuus

Watch for Totus Tuus forms to come out in the July Newsletter.

Readings for the Week of June 24, 2018

Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17

[6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts

13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66, 80

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13

[7b]/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab,

3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9D]/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35,

36, 37, 40 [33a]/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt

7:21-29

Friday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Gal 1:11-

20/Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-

8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5,

6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11,

12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24,

35b-43

SAVE THE DATE PARISH PICNIC

AUGUST 19, 4:00pm LEMON PARK, PRATT, KS

Additional information in later bulletins

VISION STATEMENT

As Disciples in Christ, we are called to know, love, and serve God and each other in celebrating and living the message of the Gospel.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith community who recognizes and acknowledges individuals' gifts and talents, encouraging spiritual growth.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following:

Mike Svoboda, Geri Henning, Jerry Keene,

Doug Melcher (father of Tracie Brady), Rita Haen

(sister in law of Ruth Menzer), Clara Mae Petz, Jack

Gardner (father of Linda Johnson), Glenda Bowman,

Cliff Dipman – cancer, brother of Norma Voss

Trudy Smith, Lenus Gaider and Barb Harris

Kari Eastes - cancer

Stewardship of Treasure for the

Weekend of June 10, 2018

Number of envelopes – 65

Envelopes	\$4,797.00
Loose Collection	405.05
Capital Improvement Fund	225.00
Total Receipts	\$5,427.05
Budget Required	7,000.00
Net Deficit	<\$1,527.95>

Year to Date

Total Receipts	381,128.09
Budget Required	352,000.00
Net Surplus	\$29,128.09

Bulletin Entries for July 8 due June 28th because of the July 4th holiday.

Bulletin Entries

The deadline for bulletin submissions is Monday at noon for the following week's bulletin. If your submission is not on time, it will be held for the following week's bulletin. Please carefully proofread your entries for the bulletin, as they will be published exactly as received. Do not send attachments.

All submissions must be emailed to:

sacred_heart_bulletin@live.com

Advertiser of the Week



Remember to support the businesses that make this bulletin possible.

Bulletin Announcement:

ATTENTION ALL MINISTERS As you prepare to travel this summer, please be reminded that there are lists of all ministers on the long table behind the last row at church. These lists of ministers can assist you in finding a substitute if you are out of town this summer. Please take one home.

Pastoral Council Openings

There are 2 openings on the pastoral council and if you are interested in serving please speak to Fr. Mike, Tina in the office or Dan Gillig.

ARE YOU EXPECTING A BABY?

Are you expecting a baby and would like a rose placed in the vase on the wall next to Our Blessed Virgin Mary? As a parish, we would like to pray that you will have a healthy pregnancy and a safe and blessed delivery. The red roses represent all our expecting families in our parish. You will receive your rose from the vase and keep as a memento from our parish, the day your baby is baptized.

If you are expecting a baby and would like a rose placed in the vase so our congregation can pray for you, please call Marla Stucky, 620-672-6178 or email [sstucky@cox.net](mailto:ssstucky@cox.net).

Job opening

Our parish secretary, Tina Heien is retiring at the end of October and so we will be hiring a replacement for that position. Familiarity with the parish, the Catholic faith and some basic computer and bookkeeping skills would be expected. We will take applications and interview candidates through mid August and the job would begin approximately the 1st of September to train with Tina. If you are interested you can get an application from either Fr. Mike or Tina in the parish office.

Movie about Pope Francis

The Barron Theater is playing the movie: The Pope "Man of His Word" over the weekend of June 22, 23, and 24, at their regular times. Support this movie by attending this weekend.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

The Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

You have heard that being a steward is a way of life. In other words, it is not what we do -- it is who we are. In the word stewardship is implied a level of servant hood; there is a willingness to serve God and others. Today's readings mention a few of the Biblical figures who were unlikely servants, raised up by God: Israel (Jacob), David, and John the Baptist. Each one was called into servant hood while in the womb and each allowed God to use him in the fulfillment of His plans. You and I are no different from these great holy men. We, too, were called into servant hood while in the womb. We were created to be good stewards of our lives and we should rejoice in it! Like John the Baptist, we live as servants of God, allowing our very existence to proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord of our lives.

THANK YOU

Rick Gerber thanks parishioners for their prayers for his sister-in-law, Laurie Gerber.

Laurie has received a good bill of health --- cancer defeated. Prayers were answered!

Teaching Position Open at St. Patrick in Kingman St. Patrick Catholic School in Kingman is looking for a first grade teacher for next year. Grade 1 Teacher opening for 2018-19 school year. Applicants please submit application, resume and letter of interest to Mrs. Eva Harmon at eharmon@st.patskingman.org.

Totus Tuus Help Wanted:

I am in need of people to provide lunch for the Totus Tuus team during Totus Tuus (July 8-13). I also need families to host the team for dinner as well. Snacks for the 1-6th graders and evening snacks for the 7-12th graders are needed as well. If you can help in any way contact Erin. 620-388-9024

Calendar of Events

June 2018

25 Church Office Closed

26 5:15pm Mass in St. John

27 4:00pm-5:15pm Adoration

5:30pm Mass

**6:30pm Pastoral Council (note date
change)**

**28 8:30am Ministry of Praise Mass
with Anointing and Refreshments**

9:30am Helping Hands Sew Circle

29 8:00am Mass

30 4:30pm Confession

5:30pm Mass

1 8:00am Confession

8:30am Mass

10:45am Mass in St. John



26 Patt Hitt by Leanne Irsak

27 Paul Hageman by Randall Hageman

28 Marcella Blasi by John & Tina Heien

29 Special int. by Bev Klag

30 (Sat. eve.)

Steven Mader by Daniel Ellis

July 1

(Sunday)

Pratt – Religious freedom

St. John – Pro popolo

New to the Parish?

We would like to welcome you to Sacred Heart. Please fill out this short form and drop it in the collection basket or in the mail slot at the rectory. Someone will contact you to help you complete your registration.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
best time to call _____

Thank you for helping us include you here at Sacred Heart.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

July, 2018 **Week 1**

SATURDAY, June 30th, 5:30 p.m. MASS

Lector: Ciara Hodgkinson
Commentator: Lynn Southard
Cross Bearer: VOLUNTEER
Servers: Brayden Buck, Camryn Buck
Euch. Ministers: Linda Fletcher,
Barb Harris
Chris Himmelwright, VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER
Gifts: Curtis & Annette Adelhardt
Ushers: Devon Evert, VOLUNTEER
Sacristan: Chris Himmelwright
Rosary Leader: Jeanette Gaider

SUNDAY, July 1st, 8:30 p.m. MASS

Lector: Joyce Temanson, Scott Stucky
Commentator: Arlene Garland
Cross Bearer: Quinn Thibault
Servers: Bailey Jackson, Lena Hampton
Euch. Ministers: Harold Voss
Christine & Lowell Brenner
Robin Langford, Jeanette Siemens
Greeters: Harold & Norma Voss
Gift: Scott & Carrie Goodheart & Family
Ushers: Jerry Siemens, Cole Monaghan
Sacristan: Bill Hlavachick
Rosary Leader: Joyce Temanson
EM to the Sick: Tom & Arlene Garland
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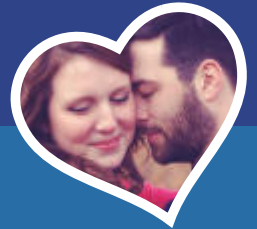
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