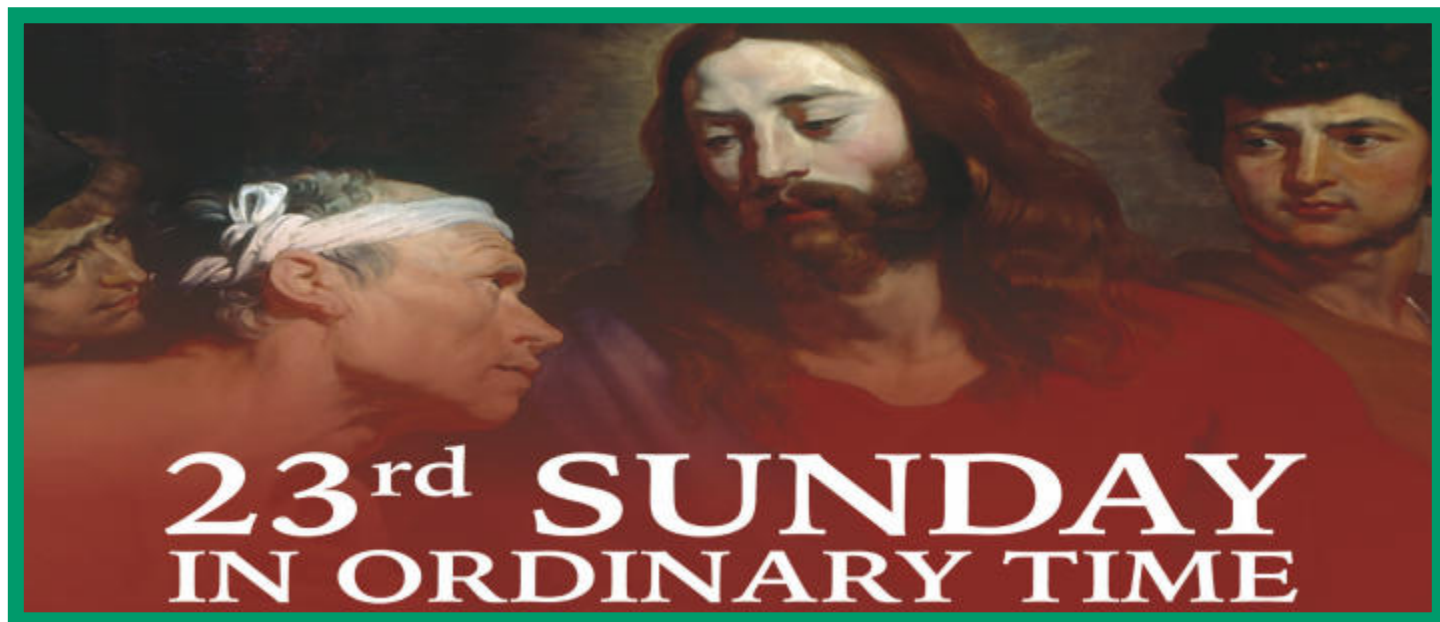


Sacred Heart Church

332 North Oak Street, Pratt, Kansas 67124



SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

THE 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL MEDITATION

“Jesus ? went by way of Sidon ? into the district of the Decapolis.” For most of Jesus’ ministry, he remains in Galilee and areas with a predominantly Jewish population. Today, however, we see Jesus traveling through a heavily pagan area. This makes the utterance of faith in today’s Gospel all the more astounding. “He has done all things well.”

In this story, a deaf man is brought to Jesus. This man is not without community! Despite communication difficulties due to a speech impediment, his people bring him before Jesus. Jesus lays hands upon the man and commands his broken body to change. “‘Be opened!’ Immediately the man’s ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.” The community is stunned. They can’t stop telling the story. The more Jesus asks them to settle down, the more they proclaim! The Jewish people expected a Messiah but a Messiah with very particular qualifications. The Greeks and pagans anticipated no such savior. There were no expectations to meet. They had a special capacity to be completely, utterly surprised.

As Catholics, it can be easy to become accustomed to the songs and the prayers, to the routine of religious education drop-offs and Sunday Mass attendance. By now, we may have very particular expectations. When was the last time you allowed yourself to be surprised by God? Sometimes we are all like the deaf man in today’s Gospel. God wants to speak to us, but we can’t hear clearly. In your prayer this week, go before God honestly. Give yourself permission to drop your expectations and assumptions. Ask Him to renew your faith to show you how, in your life, “He has done all things well.”

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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

PSR begins Sept. 12th at 7pm all grades.

First Communion Parent meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 19th at 7pm in the cafeteria.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following:

Rita Haen (sister in law of Ruth Menzer), Jack Gardner (father of Linda Johnson), Cliff Dipman (brother of Norma Voss), Kari Eastes - cancer
Madison Hunt, (a young student)—another tumor found—not able to operate for some time.
Charlotte Theis - Cancer surgery on Aug. 17th

Stewardship of Treasure for the Weekend of August 26, 2018 Number of envelopes – 75

Envelopes	\$6,460.00
Loose Collection	356.00
Capital Improvement Fund	10.00
Oil Royalties	75.78
Miscellaneous	42.77
Total Receipts	\$6,944.55
Required Budget	7,000.00
Net Deficit	<\$55.45>

Year to Date

Total Receipts	\$61,516.49
Required Budget	63,000.00
Net Deficit	<\$1,483.51>

Readings for the Week of September 9, 2018

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5, 5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4]/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 [11]/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24 [24b]/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Next Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

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

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.

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Bulletin Announcement:

Saint John the Evangelist is having a pilgrimage.

Catholic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico December 8 – 13, 2018 to be there for the beautiful Mass of Roses on the feast day December 12th. \$2,394.00 per person including air from Wichita. Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Daily. Mass everyday. For a Flyer or more detailed information please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

RCIA Inquiry Sessions: RCIA Inquiry sessions will begin Tuesday Sept. 4th at 7pm. They will be held in meeting room facility, please use the west entrance. The sessions will last approximately one hour and are very informal. If you are interested in knowing more about the Catholic church or know someone who is please feel free to join us. Call Rita 672-2614, Luke 672-3721, Arlene 672-8141 or Fr. Mike 672-6352

Traveling Prayer Statue: The Statue is to be used in home for rotation prayer. This will begin on the weekend of September 1st and 2nd. If you are interested, sign up forms can be found at entrance of the church. Participants will be notified of the weekend they will receive the statue. For more info call Annette Adelhardt, 672-3239

16th ANNUAL PIG ROAST

Sunday, September 23, 2018,
Serving from 11:30am – 2:00pm
Pratt 4H Building, Free Will Donation
Thank you for your continued support. /s/ Sheryl White, Development Coordinator

Dinner in Honor of Tina: Parish Council is honoring Tina Heien's 27 years of service as a secretary. Please join us on Sat. Oct 27. after Mass for a light supper celebration. RSVP Rhonda @ omaopa215@gmail.com

WANTED: Please update all cell phone and landline phone numbers with the Parish office to update the Parish Directory. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

James writes in his letter how generous of a gift faith is: In James 2:5, he wrote: "Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" Discipleship does not have to be complicated, and it is not reserved for the elite. In the Gospel today, we see proof of this in a man whose ears and mouth are "opened" so that he can hear and speak plainly. In a physical sense, his handicap was removed. In a spiritual sense, he was freed from the deafening lies of the world that were inhibiting his being "fully alive" as a disciple. Faithful stewards realize that to be "fully alive" means putting the world aside and living only for the riches of the promised kingdom realized both now and in eternity

DODGE CITY DIOCESE ORGANIZING MARCH

FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE: Tom and Lisa Ridder (St. Mary's Parish, Marienthal) are coordinating a bus pilgrimage for the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. next January. Tentative plans call for the pilgrimage to commence on Wednesday, Jan. 16 and return the evening of Sunday, Jan. 20. The projected cost per person is \$400, and includes bus travel and overnight accommodations in D.C. To learn more or to reserve your spot, please contact the Ridders at 620-375-2100 or lridders68@gmail.com. The Diocese of Dodge City also arranges a bus pilgrimage to the Kansas State March for Life in January; more information at www.dcdiocese.org.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

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Calendar of Events
September 2018

- 10 Church Office Closed**
- 11 5:15pm Mass in St. John
7:00pm Inquiry Session**
- 12 4:00pm-5:15pm Adoration
5:30pm Mass
7:00pm PSR for Grs K-12**
- 13 8:00am Mass
9:30am Helping Hands Sew Circle
6:30pm Finance Council**
- 14 8:00am Mass
4:30pm Confession
5:30pm Mass**
- 16 8:00am Confession
8:30am Mass/Catechists
Commissioned
10:45am Mass in St. John**



- 11 John Melcher
12 Marcella Blasi by Ruth Menzer
13 Pat Hitt by Leanne Irsak
14 Mary Lou Jarmer by Family
15 (Sat. eve.)
 Sister Sebastiana
16 (Sunday)
 Pratt – Pro popolo
 St. John – Gertrude Smith by Flo
Parsons

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 _____
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best time to call _____

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

September, 2018

Week 3

SATURDAY, Sept. 15th, 5:30 p.m. MASS

Lector: Teresa Miller, Mary Harms
Commentator: Rita Hitt
Cross Bearer: Rayden Crow
Servers: Michelle Jochems, Dawson Evert
Euch. Ministers: Linda Conkle, Donna Huff
Diana Barnard
Don & Gina Hommertzheim
Gifts: Kim Evert Family
Ushers: Bryan & Diane Banard
Sacristan: Linda Fletcher
Rosary Leader: VOLUNTEER

SUNDAY, Sept. 16th, 8:30 a.m. MASS

Lector: Gene Cannata
Commentator: Josie Conkle
Cross Bearer: Ryan Haas
Servers: Adelyn Fields, Veronica Tresner
Euch. Ministers: Mike & Amy Koler
Josie Conkle
Lorin & Julie Haas
Gifts: Cannata Family
Ushers: Steve Reichenberger
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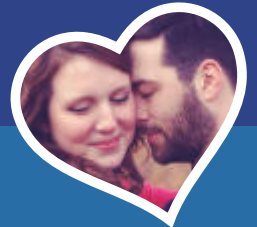
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