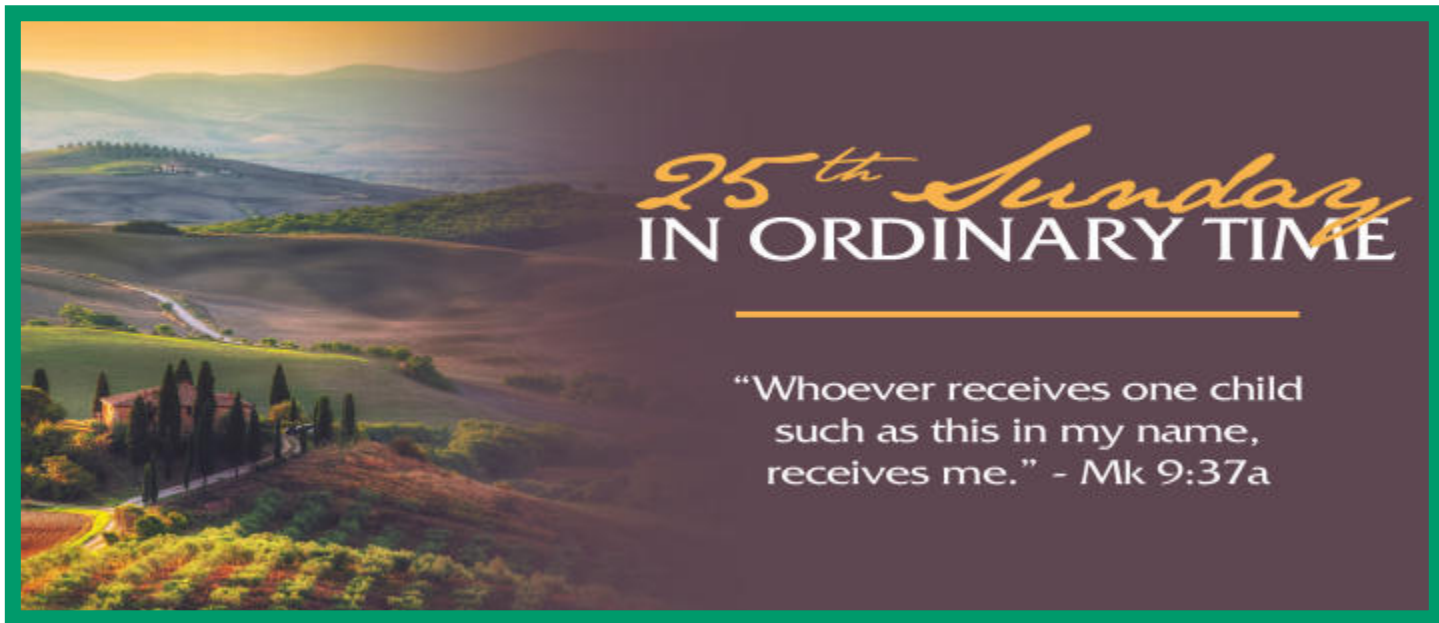


Sacred Heart Church

332 North Oak Street, Pratt, Kansas 67124



SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL MEDITATION

The Oscars. The Super Bowl. TV talent shows. Your son's Little League championship. We live in a culture set on competition. The desire to "be the best" goes beyond hobbies and into politics, the corporate world, and parenting comparisons at the park. This desire is as old as the human race, and it surely arose in Jesus' day. While Biblical society was significantly less open and upwardly mobile than our own, power was attractive. From what we know, many of Jesus' disciples had come from lowly backgrounds. Now they followed an increasingly popular rabbi who seemed primed to do something big.

Jesus does his best to dissuade their high hopes by prophesying his own defeat. "The Son of Man is to be handed over ? and they will kill him." Internalizing the message proves challenging for the disciples, and their attention remains fixed on earthly glory. "They ? [discuss] among themselves on the way who was the greatest." True to style, Jesus flips their pretensions on their heads. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

We have heard these Biblical principles before. Do we believe them? In our professional lives, do we do whatever we can to get ahead, or are we concerned with the entire team succeeding? In the lives of our children, are we more concerned with victory or with building character? Jesus doesn't condemn success, but he reframes it. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." Today's Gospel is a reality check. In God's eyes, our success will not be measured by worldly output alone but by how much love and service we offer to others in the process.

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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

First Communion Enrollment Rite is Sept. 30th during the 8:30am Mass.

Confirmation parent meeting is 7pm on October 10th in the cafeteria.

Middle School Youth Rally is on October Oct. 7th in Dodge City. Contact Tonya Kiley for more information.

Readings for the Week of September 23, 2018

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1]/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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),

Madison Hunt, (a young student)—another tumor found—not able to operate for some time.

Stewardship of Treasure for the Weekend of September 9, 2018

Number of Envelopes - 73

Envelopes	\$4,846.00
Loose Collection	248.00
Building Fund	30.00
Total Receipts	\$5,124.00
Required Budget	7,000.00
Net Deficit	<\$1,876.00>

Year to Date

Total Receipts	\$73,177.49
Required Budget	77,000.00
Net Deficit	<\$3,822.51>

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.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Bulletin Announcement:

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. 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.

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Grief Support Group in PRATT
2nd Monday of Each Month, 4:00pm
Pratt Regional Medical Center
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Our grief support group provides a safe and comfortable place for a person to express grief openly and without the fear of judgement. We are a community of experience, not a council of experts. We come together with the understanding that everyone's grief is different and unpredictable. There is no need to register in advance. Just show up. For additional information read the flyer in the church

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice.” (James 3:16) In today's Gospel we see the disciples acting very... well...human. They are bickering about who is the greatest among them. While this is not a very polite behavior, yet a very human tendency. Jesus teaches them that in order to be greater they have to allow themselves to be less. What does he mean by this? Often being a good steward means doing your very best without public acknowledgement, accolades, promotions, etc. Often it means humbling yourself and doing work that points to the greatness in others. This is being “fully alive.” While the word “servant” does not always appeal to us, it is a fitting description of Jesus. If we are seeking a life of holiness, we must remember Jesus' words: “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.”

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. 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.

LIVE THE LITURGY -Humility is really a virtue that allows us to keep our relationships in proper order: God first, others second, and myself third. However, we all wrestle with our incompleteness, weakness, and imperfections. Passions and impulses from within can color how we view our lives and distort them. Who among us does not struggle with jealousy, envy, pride, and lust? Then, when we can't have what we desire, we find ourselves angry, greedy, and taking more than we deserve. The downward spiral continues. Even Jesus' disciples, who knew him better than most, argued about who was the greatest. Humbly seeking the wisdom that comes from God and His righteousness is the corrective we need in order to keep ourselves in check.

Calendar of Events
September 2018

- 24 Church Office Closed**
- 25 5:15pm Mass in St. John**
7:00pm Inquiry Session
- 26 4:00pm-5:15pm Adoration**
5:30pm Mass
7:00pm PSR for Grs K-12
- 27 8:30am Ministry of Praise Mass with**
Anointing and Refreshments
9:30am Helping Hands Sew Circle
- 28 8:00am Mass**
- 29 4:30pm Confession**
5:30pm Mass
- 30 8:00am Confession**
8:30am Mass/First Communion
Enrollment
10:45am Mass in St. John



- 25 Marcella Blasi by Ruth Menzer
26 Pat Hitt by Leanne Irsak
27 Right to Life
28 Mary Lou Jarmer by Jarmer family
29 (Sat. eve.)
Michael Nall by John & Dona Cochran
30 (Sunday)
Pratt – Jerry Keene by Greg & Jean Rau
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

September, 2018

Week 5

SATURDAY, Sept. 29th, 5:30 p.m. MASS

Lector: Cecilia Peltier, Frank Jarmer
Commentator: Rita Pinkall
Cross Bearer: VOLUNTEER
Servers: Monika Castillo, David Barraza
Euch. Ministers: Linda Conkle,
VOLUNTEER
Diana Barnard
Don & Gina Himmertzheim
Gifts: Curtis & Annette Adelhardt
Ushers: Marion Fiegel, Kaden Evert
Sacristan: Jeanette Gaider
Rosary Leader: VOLUNTEER

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

Lector: Jeanette Siemens, Sarah Jackson
Comentator: VOLUNTEER
Cross Bearer: Adelyn Fields
Servers: Jenna Haas, Ryan Haas
Euch. Ministers: Josie Conkle,
Christine & Lowell Brenner
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Gifts: Julie & Shon Fields Family
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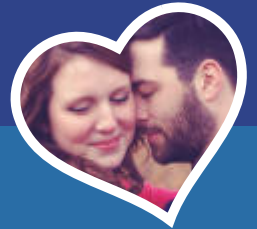
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