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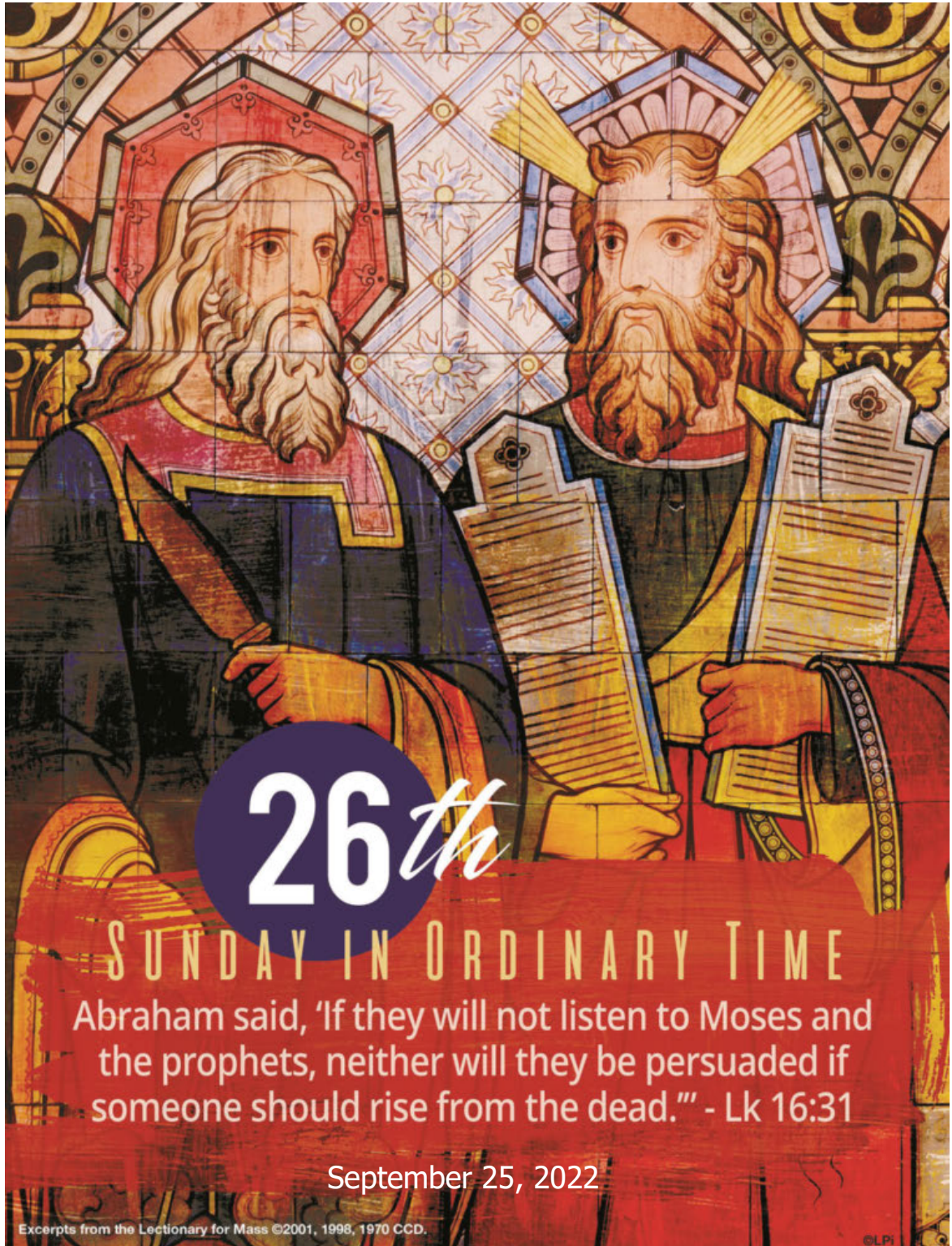
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DAILY MASS:

Mater Dei Holy Name: Monday through Friday - 8:00 am

WEEKEND MASS:

Mater Dei Holy Name: Saturday - 5:00 pm; Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

RECONCILIATION: Mater Dei Holy Name - Saturday - 3:00 pm

Mater Dei Parish Weekly Calendar

Sept. 25th - Religious Education, Mater Dei School, 9 - 10:30am
 Sept. 25th - Bingo, HHS, Early Bird, 6:30pm, Regular Bingo - 7pm
 Sept. 25th - Ashley & Emily Lee Breakfast Fundraiser, Parish Hall,
 after the 8 and 10:30 Mass
 Sept. 26th - Altar Society, Parish Hall, 6-9pm
Sept. 27th - 29th - NO 8am MASS
 Sept. 27th - TMIY, Parish Hall, 6 - 7:30 am
 Sept. 28th - RCIA, Parish Hall, 6:30 - 8:30pm
 Sept. 29th - Light of the World, Parish Hall 5:30pm - 7pm
 Sept. 29th - Bible Study, Parish Hall, 7pm - 8pm
 Sept. 30th - All School Mass, 8am
 Oct. 1st - Anointing of the Sick after the 5pm Mass



Attention all Light of the World and Bible Study members, on November 10th, we will meet in the Mater Dei School Library. Please use the south door entrance.

Air Force: Jacob Crawshaw,
 Clayton Mettleton, Tyler J. Wilson

Air National Guard: Mason Pakerson

Army: Jared Koopman, Mark Lojewski,
 Benjamin Metzger, Dylan Treadwell

Marines: Martin Gray, Eli Lotendresse

National Guard: Mike Liotta

Navy: Schuylor Baum, Ethan Figgs, Ryan France,
 Eddie Lyons, Peter Oberle, Isaac Schreiner, Garrett Wilson



Prayer Request

We are here to Pray for you



Keith Adams
 Kim Bach
 Marge Barr
 Kenny Bennett
 Marlene Boboige
 Marcy Bowen
 Mindy Darling
 Jackie Erwin
 Kent Evans
 Andrea Florez
 Joe Frederick
 Ora Lee Gish
 Pat Hanrahan
 Grace Heady
 Kathy Hestand

Erin Hutton
 Amy Jennings
 Delina Jones
 Amy Kelly
 Jesus Luna
 Juan Luna
 Olivia Grace
 McDonald
 Lindsay Miller
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 Roxy Nightengale
 Daniel Osborn
 Karla Rodehorst

Nellie Rodriguez
 Joselyn Salsbury
 Grace Sheets
 Mark Shirey
 Del Smith
 Susie
 Melanie J Sutphen
 Stafford
 Tracie K. Sutphen
 Thornton
 Deborah Weaver
 Hunter Wright
 Bev Wunder

Mass Intentions

Mon. - Sept. 26th - 8am - Margaret Addington †
 Tues. - Sept. 27th - 8am - NO MASS
 Wed. - Sept. 28th - 8am - NO MASS
 Thurs. - Sept. 29th - 8am - NO MASS
 #Fri. - Sept. 30th - 8am - James & Catherine Riley ††
 Sat. - Oct. 1st - Deceased Members of the Bond
 & Martinek Families
 Sun. - Oct. 2nd:
 8am - Nadine Seitz †
 10:30am - Charles Hackett †
 5pm - Mater Dei Parishioners

† Deceased

All School Mass

Mater Dei School Job Opportunities!



We have two positions available at Mater Dei School as we begin the school year:

- ♦ **Cafeteria Kitchen Assistant:** This position is 25 hours per week and involves helping to prepare and serve lunch for our Mater Dei School students and the students at the Mater Dei Child Care Center. It will also include clean up after lunches have been served. This is a perfect fit for someone who needs some part time hours on the same schedule as our students. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Erin Lee at 785-233-1727 or lee@materdeischool.org.
- ♦ **Custodian position:** This position can be as few as 10 hours per week or can be up to 30 hours per week. We will work with our applicants to find a schedule that is the right fit! This could be an ideal job for a high school or college student because we have some flexibility of hours, the position is Monday-Friday, and we are closed on holidays! If you are interested, please contact Andrea Hillebert at 785-233-1727 or hilleberta@materdeischool.org

Daughters of Isabella - Little Flower Circle - The next meeting will be held on **September 25, 2022, at 12:40 PM in Yadrich Hall at Christ the King Parish, 5972 SW 25th St.** A Rosary will be followed by the business meeting and social time. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Diana Ortiz at 785-554-4256 or Chancellor Gen Orozco at 785-213-0374



**FALL BAZAAR
November 5th and 6th**

It is time to start planning for our annual Fall Bazaar. It is not too early to start on craft items for the Country Store, coming up with ideas for theme baskets, watching sales for raffle prizes and Silent Auction items. **The next planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 18th, 6pm in the Parish Hall.** We will be making plans as to how to make this a successful event. Anyone who would like to help with the planning is welcome to attend. Please contact your co-chairpersons, Gail Muñoz, 913-669-3754 or email her at fallbazaar@gmail.com, or Elaine Allison at 785-221-0725 or email her at sporty9308@live.com for additional information.

Become a part of our school family!

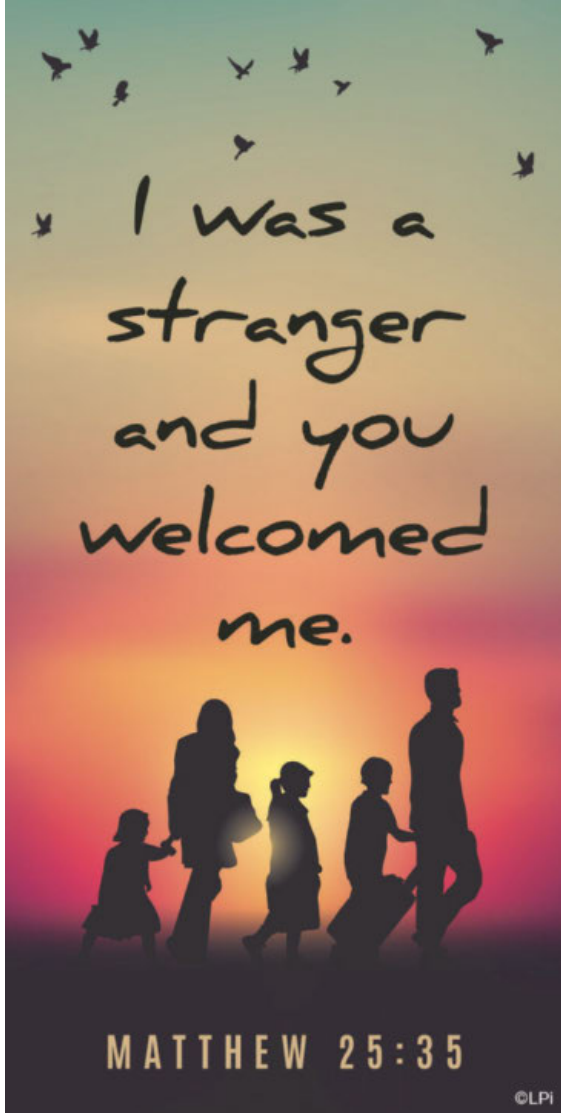


Mater Dei Child Care Center is seeking an experienced **Full time Float.** We're looking for an individual that has a passion to teach young children & work as a team player. Call Ms. Virginia, 232-1603 or email her at materdeiccc@materdeischool.org.

Wednesday Women's Prayer group is offering Ascension Press's Fulfilled by Sonja Corbitt - Helps Catholics...Explain how Jesus fulfills the Old Testament, Share the Catholic Faith concisely, acquire a thorough knowledge of the Tabernacle's design and its function as a blueprint for the Faith, learn how to answer incomplete and non-Catholic interpretations of the Bible, examine your own faith and grow deeper in your relationship with Christ. Fulfilled Part 1 meetings: Oct 5, Oct 12, Oct 19, Nov 9, Nov 16, Nov 3, Dec 7, Dec 14, Jan 4, Jan 11.

A Prayer to Brighten the Lives of Others
O God,
who cover yourself with light as with a garment,
shine in us,
putting to flight all the forces
of darkness and guilt,
of sin and selfishness.
Shine also through us
to any that live in shadow,
and so fill us with your radiant spirit
that we may be a lamp unto a neighbor's feet,
and a light unto their path.
And when this day is done,
may ever face we have met
be the brighter for our meeting,
and every heart braver,
with new joy and cheer and grace and strength.

— Theodore Parker (d. 1860)
(from *The New Saint Joseph People's Prayer Book*)



RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults



OUR RCIA PROGRAM MEETS WEEKLY and it is a great opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith. There is no obligation to attend every week, but you may be interested in the different subjects discussed. **Classes are Wednesday from 6:30 to 8pm** in the Parish Hall. Following is the upcoming schedule:

9-28-22	Scriptures – Inspiration
10-5-22	The Old Testament
10-12-22	Creation & Evolution
10-19-22	The Fall – Salvation
10-26-22	The New Testament

Spain Breakfast Fundraiser September 25th After 8 and 10:30 Masses

Ashley and Emily Lee are alum from Mater Dei school and are currently sophomores at Hayden High school. They, along with other classmates, have been given the opportunity to go study abroad next summer in Spain!



The Lee family have been parishioners at Mater Dei since before Ashley and Emily were born, so they would love to include their parish family in on this adventure. Please come enjoy some breakfast in the parish hall on September 25th after the 8 and 10:30 Masses, and help the girls achieve this amazing, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Also, if you have time, visit with the girls to hear about their upcoming trip!

Lighter Side

One-Liners

When Napoleon claimed that he would destroy the Church, Pope Pius VII is said to have responded, “Oh, you silly little man. You’re trying to do what seventeen centuries of priests and bishops have tried and failed to do!”

Eucharistic Adoration



Do you want a closer relationship with Jesus? Spending time in adoration is one of the best ways to grow that relationship. Each Tuesday and Thursday, Eucharistic Adoration is available from 8:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m. Call the

Parish Office, 785-232-7744, for additional information.

Mass with Prayers for Healing - Most Pure Heart of Mary Church, 3601 SW 17th Street, on Thursday, September 29th, at 7:00 p.m.,

sponsored by Glory to God Community. Father Ratna Swamy, pastor at Sacred Heart Parish in Newbury, KS (Paxico), will be our celebrant. Confessions will be offered from 6:00 p.m. to 6:50p.m. Fr. Swamy will also offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Refreshments following Mass in O'Connor Hall. Any questions call Allan or Vickie Holthaus 785-862-9738.





Topeka Life Chain

LIFE CHAIN is the largest prayerful, pro-life public witness in the world. More than 1,500 cities across the US and Canada are expected to participate on Sunday, **October 2, 2:00-3:30 p.m.**

Locations: 21st & Wanamaker
 East Side on Wanamaker & along 21st Street
 West Side on Wanamaker
 29th & California

Rain or shine Stand for Life (or bring a lawn chair). Gather with pro-lifers across the nation. Families, children, welcome!

Signs will be provided. For more information call Bibi at 785-969-2706 for the Wanamaker site or Sue at 785-640-5185 for the California site.

See www.LifeChain.org for locations across the US and Canada.

VIRTUS TRAINING CHANGE - Beginning Monday, September 19, the online Virtus® training module will no longer be available for Protecting God's Children for Adults (PGC), as was allowed during the pandemic. After that time, all future employees and all volunteer participants working/volunteering around youth and vulnerable adults will be required to attend a live session of PGC, just as prior to the pandemic. Registration for new participants continues to be through the website www.virtusonline.org. If you have questions about a session at or near your parish/school, please contact your local parish Safe Environment Coordinator (SEC).



Sept 30, 2019 - Oct 2, 2022

God's plan for marriage is to call a man and woman into "other-centered" union, leading them to grow in His image and likeness in the midst of our "me-centered" world. **The Worldwide Marriage**

Encounter Experience will give you an unparalleled opportunity to focus on each other and discover God's unique plan for your marriage. The next weekend in the Kansas City area will be Sept 30 - Oct 2, 2022. For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit www.WWME.org, or call/email Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net



Topeka Serra Club will meet **Thursday, September 29th** at **Christ the King Parish 5973 SW 25th St.** Here is the evening agenda. **5:30 Prayer service** in the church Fr. Thomas

Maddock. **6-6:30 Dinner** provided no charge in Yadrich Hall. Please **RSVP to Kelly Kmiecik at the Vocation office by Monday 26th** with a number of adults and children for dinner. Email her at vocation@archkck.org or call her at work 913-647-0303 or cell at 913-687-3646.



BINGO AT HAYDEN SPONSORED BY OUR PARISH - Come and play

Bingo. It is a fun, inexpensive night of entertainment. You may even win some money while supporting our parish. Bring your family and friends. The more people participating, the more it benefits our Parish. Early Bird starts at 6:30 pm with Regular Bingo starting at 7:00 pm.

Thank you to those who have volunteered one Monday a month. We are still in need of a few more consistent volunteers. If you are interested please contact Corey Everett at 785-414-0946 or corey715@gmail.com. You can also sign up online at www.materdeischool.org and click on the "Bingo Volunteer" link. Thank you for giving your time to this essential parish fundraiser.



1. **Hayden Is Accepting Applications for the 2023-2024 School Year** - If you have an interest in Hayden and you fill out an application by Thanksgiving, you will receive a \$200 credit on your tuition for the 2023-2024 school year! This applies to incoming Freshman students.

2. **Updated Strategic Plan** - Hayden has a Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) and you can see the progress by going to the Hayden website. An Annual Report has also been posted. See what is going on at Hayden!

3. **Hayden Is Now A CEF School!**
Scholarships are still available for families that qualify. Students may be eligible for up to \$8,000 in tuition assistance at CEF-supported schools like Hayden Catholic High School in Topeka! Contact Hayden at info@haydencatholic.net to talk about the opportunities.

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Competing Like a Steward

Picture it: family game night. What are you playing? Monopoly? Clue? Chess? Poker?

Whatever your game of choice, I'll bet the night is a lot more fun when everyone tries their best to win. Sure, no one likes an obnoxiously competitive opponent — but if we're being honest with ourselves, it's actually more annoying to face off with someone who just doesn't care. A little competition gives the activity a pulse. It keeps everyone interested. It speaks to the worthiness of the endeavor.

We are told to "compete well for the faith." These are confusing words, perhaps, since cutthroat competition doesn't jive with the spiritual ideals of submission and humility. So why is God asking this of us? He isn't setting up some kind of cosmic contest to reward the smartest, strongest, and fastest among us with His mercy and grace.

Competition doesn't have to mean aggressive self-interest. It doesn't have to mean ferocity and lack of principle. Competition can — and should — mean witness. Think of the Olympics. There's a competition that isn't a conquest or a performance but rather a testimony — a feat of strength! A celebration of ability, hard work, and effort. Does anything glorify God more than that?

Let's strive to be competitive, but with the competitive nature of an everyday steward: that which seeks the good of all running the race.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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COLLECTION REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023		
Receipts for Aug. 20, 2022 to Aug. 26, 2022		Fiscal Year to Date
White Envelopes	\$3,937.10	\$66,202.60
Banking	\$2,290.00	\$35,334.78
Plate	\$690.24	\$6,413.41
Total Collections	\$6,917.34	\$107,950.79
Amount Budgeted for Collections	\$15,000.00	\$120,000.00
Income Over/-Under Budget	-\$8,082.66	-\$12,049.21

St. Matthew Catholic Church 65th Annual Fall Festival, Saturday, October 22nd. Mass at 4pm, Trunk or Treat, 5-7pm. Food trucks and fun in the south parking lot! **Sunday, October 23rd, FESTIVAL DAY!** Join us for good food, fun games, and plenty of prizes! Food 11am - 3pm, games 11am - 4 pm.

**St. Theresa's Fall Bazaar
Sunday, October 2nd
St. Theresa's Catholic Church
209 Third St., Perry, KS**

Turkey or Ham Dinner plus Homemade Pie, 11am – 2pm, Adult meals - \$10, Child meals - \$5 (age 10 & under). **Carry-out meals available until 2:30!**

OUTDOOR activities **GAMES** for children, **BINGO**, an old-fashioned **CAKE WALK**, **BAKED GOODS** and **BBQ ribs**, unique buy-it-now and **COUNTRY STORE** items for sale. Plus, a **RAFFLE**, **SILENT AUCTION** and **BEER GARDEN!** Outdoor areas open until 3pm.

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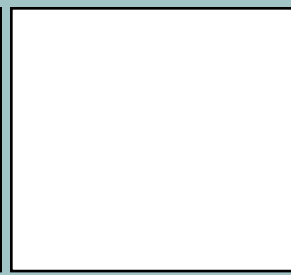
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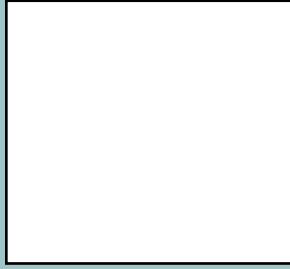
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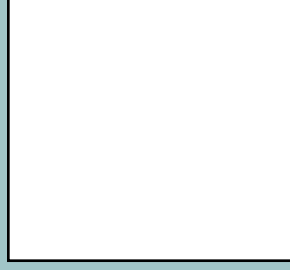
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