

### Love one another as I have loved you.

Last week in the Gospel, we heard Jesus instruct us to *Love one* another as I have loved you. This command of Jesus is the greatest challenge to being his disciple; we must love like he loves us. St. Thomas Aquinas defined love as "willing the good of another." Jesus is always willing our good, evident especially through his Divine Mercy.

It could be said that the perfection of love lies in the love of one's enemies. We can find no greater inspiration of this love than the grateful remembrance of Christ's passion and death. His divine countenance was spat upon by sinful men; his back was marred by the countless scourges; his head was subjected to the sharpness of thorns; he was mocked, reviled, and at the end endured the cross, the nails, the lance, and other dreadful things, yet always remaining gentle, meek, and full of peace and love.

Jesus said very little during his passion, fulfilling the prophecy, *like a sheep to the slaughter, and like a lamb before the shearers he kept silent, and did not open his mouth.* Yet his love for his enemies compelled him to pray, "Father, forgive them". Who of us could listen to that wonderful prayer--so full of warmth, of love, of unshakeable serenity--and hesitate to embrace our enemies with overflowing love, like Jesus? *Father, Jesus says, forgive them.* In this prayer is an abundance of love and gentleness that we are called to imitate.

Yet Jesus adds something more. It was not enough to pray for his enemies. He wanted also to make excuses for them. "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing". It is as if Jesus was saying to his Heavenly Father: They are great sinners, yes, but they have little judgment; therefore, Father, forgive them. They are nailing me to the cross, but they do not know who it is that they are nailing to the cross: if they had known, they would never have crucified the Lord of glory; therefore, Father, forgive them. They think it is a lawbreaker, an impostor claiming to be God, a seducer of continued on page 3

May 22, 2022

Sixth Sunday of Easter John 14:23-29

Fr. Andrew Heiman
Pastor
Fr. Matt Siegman
Parochial Vicar

#### **Mass Times**

Monday - Friday
6:30am & 8am
Thursday 5:30pm
(Extraordinary Form)
Saturday
6:30am & 4pm
Sunday
6:30am, 9am (streamed),
11am, & 5:30pm

#### Confession

Monday - Friday 7:30-7:50am Saturday 3-3:50pm Sunday during Masses if a priest is available.

#### Parish Office

124 North Roosevelt Wichita, KS 67208

Office Hours: 8:30am - 5:00pm Monday-Friday Phone: 316.682.4557 Fax: 316.682.4558 Sacramental Emergency 316.512.2206

#### **Sacramental Information**

Call the Parish Office for inquiries on all sacraments, 682.4557.

**Baptism:** Classes held on the first Tuesday of every month and are required for parents.

Confirmation: Classes required.
RCIA: Contact the Parish Office.
Holy Matrimony: Preparation
begins at least nine months prior

Anointing of the Sick: Contact

**Eucharist to Homebound:** First Saturday of the month.

#### **Parish Staff**

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### Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 22 Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00am - Senior Graduation Mass (Church)

10:00am - Coffee & Donuts (Bishops Hall)

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29

7:00pm - Pickleball (Old Gym)

Tuesday, May 24

6:300pm - St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (Bishops Gerber)

Wednesday, May 25

5:25am - Kapaun's Men-Living Joy

6:30pm - Called & Gifted (Spanish Room)

Thursday, May 26

Last day of School

7:00pm - Value them Both Training & Phone Calling (Bishops Hall)

Friday, May 27

3:15pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Church)

Sunday, May 29 The Ascension of the Lord

10:00am - Coffee & Donuts (Bishops Hall)

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29

7:00pm - Pickleball (Old Gym)



### Liturgical Stewardship

Weekend Mass Schedule - May 28-29, 2022

	4:00pm	6:30am	9:00am	11:00am	5:30pm
Lectors	Joanne Ehrlich Judy Angeron	Mary Short	Amy Baxt John Baldessari	Erica Zurita Salvador Zurita	Joe Dunworth
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	May 14	May 15	May 15	May 15	May 15
Mass Count	273	142	403	334	217

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the people. I have hidden my face from them, and they do not recognize my glory; therefore, *Father*, *forgive them*, *for they do not know what they are doing*.

This is the perfection of love that Christ calls us to imitate when he says, *love one another as I have loved you*. Keeping our eyes upon Christ and reflecting often upon his perfect love, may we become better disciples of Jesus and extend the embrace of true love to our enemies, loving them (willing their good) as Jesus has loved each of us (willing our good).

In the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Fr. Andrew Heiman



### **OKTOBERFEST Run for the Poor 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run**

Saturday, October 1, 2022

Thank you to all the talented individuals that submitted art to our logo contest. The winner of the logo contest is Geoff Louvar!

Geoff Louvar has been the Admissions Digital Marketing Manager at Newman University since 2018. We are excited to have the new logo as we gear up for the upcoming race. Pre-registration is already open! If you are interested in volunteering or sponsorship, please contact Jenny Jones at jonesynks@gmail.com, as planning is already underway!

### Join us in Prayer

### Prayers for the Sick

Connie Heard, Duff Whisenhant, Dick Edgington, Richard Powell, Bob Collins, Devon Dionisi, Alan Brown, Robert Lang, Pauline Rittlinger, Lynn Channer, Karen Hurley, Bob Stenz.

#### In Memoriam

Patrick Hornback, Christopher Cotter, Thelma Knoff, Jacob Wise, Joyce Eastburn, James Gillenwater, Julia Wagle, Adrian Burgess Settle, Tyler Bauer, Mary Edgington, Aida Colon, Alan Weldon, Mary Lou Schutz, John Polson, Donald Aaron, John Ludlow, Amber Murry, Mike Dionisi, Frank Chambers, Bonnie Tenbrink, Logan Matzeder, Mary Dean Sander.

### Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request, or wish to join the prayer chain, please call the parish office 682-4557 or email: **prayer@blessedsacramentwichitcom** 

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, May 21

6:30am + John Polson

4:00pm +Christopher Cotter

Sunday, May 22

6:30am +Alan Weldon

9:00am +Brendan Ryan

11:00am People of the Parish

#### Ad Orientem

5:30pm + Jacob Wise

Monday, May 23

6:30am Int/Jessica & Luke

Thompson

8:00 am +Donald Aaron

Tuesday, May 24

6:30am Int/Amy & Eric Davis

8:00am +Elaine Vercher

Wednesday, May 25

6:30am Int/Fr. Matt Siegman

8:00am Int/Robert Brice Waddill

Thursday, May 26

6:30am Int/Janet Knapp

8:00am +Kurt Krueger

#### Ad Orientem

5:30pm Int/Judy & Harry Funke

Friday, May 27

6:30am Int/Jake Robl

8:00am Int/Fr. Drew Heiman

Saturday, May 28

6:30am Int/Bishop Shawn

**McKnight** 

4:00pm Int/Fr. Ty Taylor

Sunday, May 29

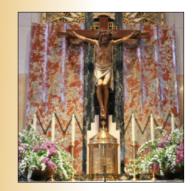
6:30am +Julia Wagle

9:00am +Mary Dean Sander

11:00am Int/Mary Pat Hesse

#### Ad Orientem

5:30pm People of the Parish



### **Ministry Updates**



Save the dates! Totus Tuus is returning this summer! Totus Tuus is an amazing Catholic program taught by seminarians and college students. The middle school and high school programs will be Sunday June 19th-Thursday June 23rd from 7:30 pm.-9:45pm.

The elementary program will be Monday June 20th-Friday the 24th from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Blessed Sacrament offers a Pre-K program for 4 year olds from 9:00 am-12:00 pm that Monday through Friday also. If you are a middle schooler or high schooler and would like to volunteer for the day program, contact totustuus@blessedsacramentwichita.com.

We can't wait to see you all there!!

### **Scholarship Opportunity**

### **Graduating High School Seniors**

The Monsignor John Gilsenan Men's Club Scholarship applications are available in the parish office or on our website.

Any 2022 High School Senior graduate is eligible to apply. The application deadline is July 16, 2022 and should be returned to the parish office or David Eschbacher at 421 S. Bluff Wichita, Kansas, 67218 in a sealed envelope, or via email to: david.eschbacher@t-mobile.com.

If you have any questions feel free to e-mail or call David @ 913-484-1690.

### **Prayer for Graduates**

Thank you, Lord!
For the reaching of this end
And for this new beginning
For the joy in finished aims and
goals

And the evidence of winning.

Have mercy on these graduates As they bask in their successes Please guide them to their destinies And show them love that blesses.

We ask for You to lead each one Through missteps they may suffer On the road to gaining wisdom Finding faith and hope that buffers.

Please touch each heart with joy and peace

As Commencement gives promotion

And fill each life with love's increase

Of strength and deep devotion.

For this eager class of graduates Beribboned with degrees Please bless them at this starting gate

With all the keys they'll need.

Thank you, Lord.

Linda Germain

#### **Blessed Sacrament School**

125 North Quentin, Wichita Office Hours 7:30am-4pm Phone: 316.684.3752 Fax: 316.687.1082

#### **School Staff**

Principal
Joel Arnold
Assistant Principal
Barry Newell
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Michelle Hittner
Athletic Director
Pat Harter
Building Maintenance
Matt Gann

#### **School News**

#### With Gratitude

The close of another school year can sometimes be bittersweet as we send some teachers and staff into summer with best wishes for their next adventure.

If you would like to let these special people know just how much their time at Blessed Sacrament has meant to you, please drop a note or card to the school or parish office by May 26th.

These individuals have blessed our school and parish, and we want to let them know we are forever grateful!

Bev Gipson, Kindergarten Teacher (40 years)
Mary Jo Hunninghahake, Second Grade Teacher (30 years)
Michelle Hittner, Office Manager (15 years)
Mary Sauber, Middle School Science (11 years)
Catie Rudisill, First Grade Teacher (9 years)
Joel Arnold, Principal (2 years)
Leslie DiMattia, Fourth Grade Teacher (2 years)



# JESUS AND THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST



Are you enjoying Brant Pitre's book, Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist? We sure are! It has been great sitting down each week with a different parishioner to discuss the chapter! Whether you read the book or not, you can check out the short

videos to see what has everyone so excited!



This week Fr. Drew sat down with Brad McDowell to discuss chapter seven. Use the QR code or visit our website to check out all the videos for chapters one through six.



Now in its 22nd year, the MCFC is excited to be collaborating with the Diocese of Wichita to present a live weekend of dynamic speakers and programs August 5-7 with emphasis on The Year of the Eucharist.

For more information on the conference, speakers, and schedule, pick up a colorful flier at the church entrances or visit catholicfamilyconference. org. We hope to see you there!



**Ministry Updates** 

Women's Bowling League Women of the Parish: I am trying to put together a history of the Women's Bowling League. If you were once a member or know someone who was, I would like to hear from you. I'm specifically searching for info on when the league was started and by whom. Are you a past League Secretary or President? Maybe tell of your experience with the League. Please contact me at 683-9078 or email your info to carolcharly@hotmail. Thank you ~ Carol Mesa com.

Called & Gifted

Called & Gifted is designed to help Christians discern the presence of charisms in their lives. What is a charism? Who is it for? Join us on an exciting journey of discovery this summer as we learn how to welcome and grow in the work of the Holy Spirit, Wednesday evenings at the parish. Registration deadline is May 15th. Register on our website: www.blessedsacramentwichita.com by May 15th.

#### St. Vincent de Paul

Blessed Sacrament SVdP has a relationship with different organizations and charities, including the Veterans Hospital. We were contacted recently by the hospital to see if we could help two different veterans.

Thanks to our generous benefactors, we were able to help the two veterans as requested.

#### Respect Life Committee

Feeling the call to get involved with passing Value Them Both in a simple yet important way? We've got the perfect opportunity!! Please join the Respect Life Committee for a training on door to door canvassing and phone banking this upcoming Thursday, May 26 at 7pm in Bishop's Hall. You will be trained on how to make phone calls to Kansas voters (from your own home!) and how to walk your neighborhood informing others to vote YES on August 2.

We hope to see you there!

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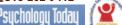




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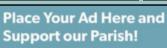
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Diocesan Child Abuse Report Information Line: 316.440.1757

PERPETUAL ADORATION: Please prayerfully consider spending an hour with our Lord.

**Adorers Needed:** 

Sun. 2-3am, 4-5am, 7-8am, & 1-2pm

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Tues. 2-3am, 3-4am

Wed. 2-3am, 3-4am, 7-8am

Thur.1-2pm, 2-3pm

Fri. 4-5am, 9-10pm, 10-11pm Sat. 7-8am, 9-10am, 1-2pm, 8-9pm

Questions?Please contact Kathy Burrus at 316.393.6765 or adoration@bless-

edsacramentwichita.com

Sunday: John Hammans, 209-7588 Monday: Beth Hogan, 680-7212 Tuesday: Amy Rishell, 390-1700 Wednesday: Steve Freach, 619-7486 Thursday: Renee Riter, 683-8539

Friday: Peggy Suniga, 737-3618 Saturday: Pat Harter, 633-0546

### I've Been Slacking

Samantha Ridder-Parish Life Coordinator

Sometimes I sit down to write my article for the bulletin, and it's so easy. The Holy Spirit is moving, and I know exactly what I want to say. A topic or event has been moving in my heart, it's been playing around in my head, and it won't leave until I write about it. That is not happening this week. I'm sitting down writing this on deadline, wondering what to say. Part of me wants to look up at the heavens and ask the Holy Spirit why He is slacking off. Where is the inspiration? However, that old saying comes to mind, when you point a finger at someone, three are pointing back at you.

I've been slacking. And that is on me, not the Holy Spirit. So here is my excuse... May is a busy month, and a lot is going on. When life gets busy, and the to-do list grows faster than, well, something that grows really, really quickly, my typical response is to cut prayer and silence. Most of the time, I don't realize what I am doing. It's slow. But the process is the same every single time.

First, I get busy and start to skip daily prayer. Then I don't have that daily reset, that daily time to meet God and find peace. When that starts to disappear, noise becomes a necessity. Suddenly the radio is on constantly, or I'm binge-watching a comedy series I've already seen way too many times because I need a break. I fill my life with all this noise, and it doesn't help the feeling of being overwhelmed and busy - it aggravates the problem.

Toddlers are a great example, those little balls of energy bouncing all over the place. It's amusing to watch, waiting for them to sit still just a little too long. Is this the time they're going to fall asleep? When they finally reach that point, they are gone, enjoying that deep, restful sleep they have unknowingly been craving for hours.

I sometimes wonder if that is what we look like to God. Running around in our business, so consumed by the noise. Is He watching with a parent's love, calling us into the stillness, the silence, the peace only He can offer?

Are you going to give in, sit still for a moment and let God fill the silence? Don't be a stubborn toddler. Visit the Adoration chapel, go to a daily Mass, just do something to allow yourself the opportunity to fall into prayer, fall into God's loving arms and find peace!

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