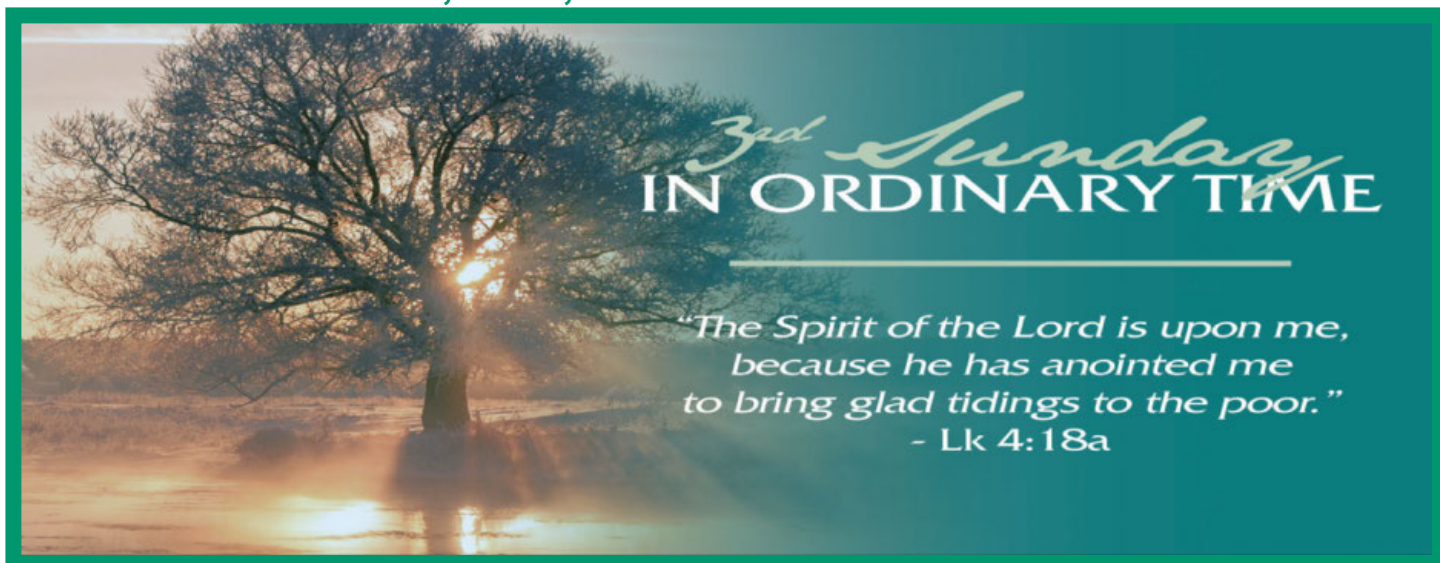


Sacred Heart Church

332 North Oak Street, Pratt, Kansas 67124



JANUARY 23, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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

Sacraments

Penance: Saturday at 4:30pm & Sunday at 8a.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: By appointment.

IMPORTANT DATES

23rd: CGS at 10am to 12pm
26th: All PSR/CGS classes meet normal
27th: 9:30am Helping Hands Sew Circle
28th: 8:00am Mass/ 7pm Spanish prayer

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Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/
Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:
1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-
28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5,
11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps
51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-
15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,
15-17 [cf. 15ab]/
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk
4:21-30

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.

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

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please pray for the following:

Rita Haen (sister in law of Ruth Menzer),
Madison Hunt-continue prayers for health,
Doug Will – health concerns; Michelle Jochems-ane-
mia, Lyola Hatfield-health issues; Elton Bow-
man-health issues; Barbara Agnew - health issues;
Dawnetta Park (Linda Johnson cousin)-health issues,
Tom Wenrich, Ann Souza-health issues, Teri Simpson's
twin granddaughters, Chandler and Chloe: in hospital
with RSV, Jim Kiley-healing from surgery, Becky El-
lis-cancer/health issues, Matthew Egging-heart issues,
Tristin McDonald-loss of child, Larry Conkle, Jeff
Jochems-prostate

Stewardship of Treasure for the Weekend of Jan. 9, 2022 Number of Envelopes -63

Envelopes	\$5,845.00
Offertory	280.00
Online giving	250.00
Pastor Reimbursement	750.00
Votive Lights	19.50
Total	\$7,144.50
Required Budget	\$7,200.00
Net Deficit	<\$55.50>
Year to Date	
Total Receipts	\$244,396.37
Required Budget	201,600.00
Net Surplus	\$42,796.37

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: Ezra and Nehemiah were the religious and political leaders of Judah in the mid-5th century BC. They grounded their leadership in Scripture (“the book of the law.”) What role does sacred Scripture have in guiding your life?

Second Reading: Paul used the human body as an analogy for the “many parts” of the Christian community in Corinth that should unite as the “one body” of Christ. In what ways do you find this a challenging vision for community?

Gospel: Today's reading contains both the opening prologue to the Gospel of Luke and the initial reaction to Jesus' return to his hometown of Nazareth. Luke is the only Evangelist to provide us with a prologue outlining his motivation to write his Gospel. What details do you find most interesting from Luke's prologue?

Pictorial Directory in February

Feb. 23-26th we are making a new pictorial directory and you can easily make your appointment to be photographed by going to the church website and clicking the link. Please plan on an hour for your appointment. You will have a chance to review your pictures. You can also click the link in the newsletter, or the church Facebook page. You will need to go to February on the calendar to see the days to sign up.

<https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?kn=3534502&-typId=63945&step=2>

If you do not have computer access, you can make your appointment today. Just stop at the parish office.

Be photographed for the new directory and receive your copy of the directory and an 8x10 portrait of your family at no charge. To get your copy of the directory you must be in the directory. Make your appointment and do your part to make this the best directory ever!

Roses for Expectant Mothers: ARE YOU EXPECTING A BABY or KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS EXPECTING....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. After your baby is born, 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).

· The red roses in our vase represent our current expecting families in our parish.

· The white rose reminds us to pray for life from conception to natural death.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

3 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Calendar of Events
January 2022

Mon. 24

Tues. 25

No Mass in St. John

Wed. 26

NO Mass

4 – 6pm CGS class

6 – 7pm 2nd-6th PSR class

7 – 8pm 7th-12th PRS class

Thurs. 27

No 8:00 Mass

9:30am Helping Hands Sewing Circle

Fri. 28

8am Mass

7pm Spanish prayer/rosary

Sat. 29

4:30pm Confession

5:30pm Mass

Sun. 30

8:00am Confession

8:30am Mass

10am-12pm CGS class

10:45am Mass in St. John



January

25-27 No Mass

28 Linus Gaider by Mary Miller

29 (Sat. eve.) Pro populo

30 (Sunday) Geneva Theis by Curtis & Annette
Adelhardt

St. John – Charles Rinke by Darren & Jill
Hodgkinson

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

January 2022

Week 5

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

Lector: Jim Ellis, Rhonda Westerhaus
Commentator: Arlene Garland
Servers: Michelle Jochems
Daniel Ellis, Lena Hampton
Euch. Ministers: Gina Hommertzheim
Gifts: Pribil Family
Ushers: Volunteer
Sacristan: Jeanette Gaider
Rosary Leader: Volunteer

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

Lector: Susan & Bryan Pixler
Commentator: Jeanette Siemens
Servers: Emmanuel Avila
Colton Kalous, Dawson Kalous
Euch. Ministers: Lowell Brenner
Gifts: Jackson Family
Ushers: Jerry Siemens, Marcos Avila
Sacristan: Linda Conkle
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EM to the Sick: Not at this time

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