

ST. MARY'S CHURCH
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Mass Schedule: Sunday Morning 10:00 AM

Friday morning 8:30AM

Marriage: Contact priest 6 Months before - Baptism Call Father Ed at 336-6464

Confession: First Friday mornings 7:45AM TO 8:00AM before mass

OCTOBER 7, 2012 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Regular Mass Schedule:

BAILEYVILLE---Saturday 7:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 am
 Weekday masses at 8:30 a.m.

ST. BENEDICT---Sunday 10:00 a.m.
 Fridays, 8:30 a.m.

Mon.--Oct. 8--Tony & Florence Hulsing

Tues.--Oct. 9--Sr. Susan Kongs, CJS--Mass at Life Care @
 11:00AM

Wed.---Oct. 10--Ryan Sextro

Thur.--Oct. 11--Lillis Haverkamp

Fri.--Oct. 12--Dennis Holthaus

Sat.--Baileyville--Oct. 13--Liv/Dec. Herman & Mary Kuckelman
 Family

Sun.--Baileyville--Oct. 14--Bob Schulte

Sun.--St. Benedict--Oct. 14--Liv/Dec Ignatius & Odelia Sudbeck
 Family

COLLECTIONS FOR Sept 30, 2012--Plate: \$33.00, Envelopes: \$1330.00, Other: \$100.26, Stipends: \$5.00, Candle: \$11.12, Anniversary Book: \$47.00, Leaven: \$36, Total: \$1562.38

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING on October 15, at 6:30PM at the parish house.

LEAVEN SUBSCRIPTIONS are due in October. Price is \$18.00. There is an envelope in you packet to take care of this.

ELEMENTARY RELIGION--Grades K-5-- Wednesday, Oct. 10, after school in Baileyville.

NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS--Effective immediately, any hall rentals, parishioners or non-parishioners will include a refundable \$100.00 clean-up fee. This fee will be returned after the hall is rented, provided the hall was left in a satisfactorily clean state. This will only pertain to newly signed rental agreements.



PRO-LIFE CHAIN--Sunday, October 7, *Respect Life Sunday*, at Sts. Peter & Paul, Seneca from 2:00 to 3:00PM. Meet in front of the new school building at 1:45PM, signs will be distributed and everyone will proceed to the highway to form a life chain along HWY 36. This

chain will coincide with similar ones throughout the US and Canada. Please join them to show your support for the unborn!

TEEN MASS is scheduled for Oct. 21st. Jrs/Srs in charge of ministries.

CATECHISM--A pilgrimage of Faith--Learn about the faith you profess. Journey through the universal book that explain it all. 24 sessions grouped into four parts over a two year period. Class at Sacred Heart, Sabetha starts on November 8 from 7:00 to 8:00PM. More information on the bulletin board.

IT WAS LIFE CHANGING! It reminded us of the true beauty of our marriage. These words of Barry and Bobbie Padgett of Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish in Topeka echo the reaction of the couples who have experienced the "Living in Love" retreat. The next retreat, which includes a romantic dinner, will be held on October 20-21 at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish, Seneca. Special Faith Initiative cost is \$30 per couple. Register on line now at www.archkck.org/faith/livinginlove or contact Mary Anne Kierl at 913-647-0345.

ARCHBISHOP NAUMANN INVITES ALL MARRIED COUPLES! Whether you have been married one year or 50, it is a great idea to take time to invest in your relationship. A day of marriage enrichments with noted Catholic speakers and authors, Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak, will be offered on Saturday, November 3 from 8:15AM to 3:00PM. Fore more information go to www.archkck.org/popcak

ALL WET--To repent and not to amend is like paying a debt by writing a check on water.

---Anonymous

Ministries for October 14, 2012

Cross: Dalton Rottinghaus

Servers: Caleb Bradley & Gabriella Sudbeck

Eucharistic Ministers: Leon Holthaus, Arlene Holthaus, Joyce Schmitz, Ferdie Deters, Connie Huerter

Lector: Cindy Murphy

Commentator: Gilbert Schmitz

Ushers: Richard Siess & Chad Stallbaumer

Offertory Gifts: Leon & Arlene Holthaus

Rosary Leader: Paul Strathman

Organist: Marilyn Holthaus

Cantor/Song leader: TBD

Remember in your prayers those who are sick, taking treatments, hospitalized or still recovering: Gene Holthaus, Donna Hulsing, Elijah James Ruegge, Cyrilla Sudbeck, Michelle (Damian) Buessing, Odelia Sudbeck, Jackie Olberding, Jordan Sudbeck, Leroy Tangeman, Nancy Deters, Martha Engelken, Brad Bowhay, Margie Miller, Greyson Murphy (grandson of Stan & Cindy Murphy), Melvin Bergman, Max Rusche, Shirley Claas.

ALTAR SOCIETY NOTES

BINGO at the Life Care Every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30

October 2012--Leanna Rottinghaus, Danise Mohney, Kathleen Meiers, Betty Sudbeck @, Theresa Sudbeck (J), Denise Haverkamp, Laurie Stallbaumer

November 4, 2012--Pancake Breakfast

November 14, 2012--Annual Church Cleaning

February 3, 2013--Annual Soup Day

June 23, 2013--Annual Picnic

****STUFFED ANIMALS**--We no longer will be collecting stuffed animals for the picnic. We are doing away with the Animal Kingdom and adding some new games.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA--Salem Lutheran Church will host the Community Christmas Cantata on December 9. Rehearsals will be on Sunday evenings from 7:30 to 8:45pm, beginning on September 30 at the Salem Lutheran Church at Axtell. Singers of all ages are invited to sing. The Cantata this year is "Let the Whole World Sing."

SOUP SUPPER--The St. Bede's Annual Soup Supper and Auction will be held on Oct. 7th at Kelly, Serving chili, chicken noodle soup, vegetable beef soup, ham sandwiches, hot dogs, pie and desserts from 4:00-7:00pm, for a free-will donation. There will be games for all ages from 5:00-8:00 in the parish gym, followed by an auction of handmade quilts and many other items at 8:00pm.

FALL BAZAAR at St. Francis Xavier, Mayetta is on Sunday, October 7. Roast pork and turkey dinner from 3:00 to 6:00PM. Games, etc.

FALL BAZAAR at St. Anthony's, Steinauer, Nebraska on Sunday, October 14. Turkey and Ham served from 3:30-7:30PM. Games, etc.

9th ANNUAL HOLIDAY TASTING on Saturday, October 13 from 7:00 to (:00PM in the Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall. Freewill offering will benefit Sts. Peter & Paul School



BISCUITS AND GRAVY BREAKFAST at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall on Sunday, October 14. Freewill offering. Proceeds for Right for Life. Sponsored by SPPHS CCD.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST--Sunday, October 7 at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall. Sponsored by Seneca Knights of Columbus. Freewill offering. Proceeds for Pro-life signs along the highway.

The cafeteria is spoken for on these dates: 2012– Nov.2,3,4, 22, 25, Dec. 1, 22, 23, 25,29--2013--Feb. 2,3,4,June 12, 16 thru 24,Aug.4.

Donations can be given toward the cost of supporting seminarians in Africa where Father Felix is from . Mark your donations. There are many seminarians but funds for education are needed.

DVD'S of THERESA RETTELE'S Tour of St. Mary's Church is available at the Rectory for the cost of \$10.00.

150th Anniversary Books continue to be a popular item. There are copies remaining for purchase. No additional copies will be printed. Orders can be placed online through the church website at www.stmstb.org or picked up at the Kansas Rural Water Association office west of Seneca. Phone: 336-3760.

CANDLES available for home use. Anyone wanting some call the rectory. 336-3174. The glass container are red and green now. Cost of candles are now \$5.00.

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"FAITH: LOVE IT, LEARN IT, LIVE IT." --During our celebration of the *Year of Faith*. Our parish has been ask by Archbishop Naumann to open our hearts to God's transforming grace. Now is the time to consider how you will make time and take advantage of the opportunities to love, to learn and to live faith in our parish. There are programs available right now at www.archkck.org/faith . What will you do?

"LIVING IN LOVE" MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT
 Regional event for married couples to reconnect and revitalize their marriages. Open to any Catholic in the Archdiocese, but registrations in advance is required. Strengthen your relationship with your spouse, reconnect with your personal love story and gain a sense of purpose, hope and direction for the future as a couple through the "Living in Love" Marriage Enrichment Retreat. This one-and-a-half-day enrichment retreat sacramental call to witness Christ's love in marriage. Presenters include Ron and Kathy Freher of the pastoral and Matrimonial Renewal center, founded by Fr. Church Gallagher, S.J., of the Worldwide marriage Encounter. The retreat is scheduled at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Seneca, on Saturday, October 20, 2012 from 8:30am to 9:00pm and on Sunday, October 21, 2012 from 8:30 to 4:00pm.

HOLY HUMOR

After creating heaven and earth, God created Adam and Eve. The first thing he said, "DON'T"
 "Don't what?" Adam replied.
 "Don't eat the forbidden fruit," God said.
 "Forbidden fruit? We have forbidden fruit? Hey, Eve! We've got forbidden fruit!"
 "No way!"
 "Yes, way!"
 "Do NOT eat the fruit!" commanded God.
 "Why not?" said Adam.
 Because I am your Father and I said so!" God replied.
 A few minutes later, God saw Adam and Eve having an apple break. He was very angry and said, "Didn't I tell you not to eat the fruit?"
 "Uh huh," Adam replied.
 "Then why did you ?" said the Father.
 "I dunno," said Eve.
 "She started it!" Adam said.
 "Did not!"
 "Did too!"
 "DID NOT!"
 Then God decided on Adam and Eve's punishment: They should have children of their own.

After a church service on Sunday morning, a young boy suddenly announced to his mother, "Mom, I've decided to become a priest when I grow up."
 "That's OK with us," she said, "but what made you decide that?"
 "Well," said the little boy, "I have to go to church on Sunday anyway, and figure it will be more fun to stand up and yell than to sit down and listen."

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty ever-living God,
 who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:
 How has God's kindness surpassed what I think I deserve?

BURY YOUR TROUBLES—When I dig others out of trouble, I find a place to bury my own.

THERE ARE ONLY TWO ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is.

Let the children come to me.



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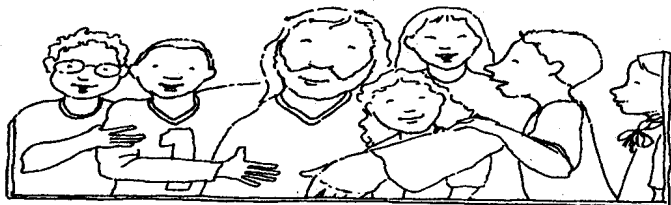
THE BARRIERS THAT SEPARATE US--We live in a society that has many technological avenues for stimulation and entertainment, one in which the urban population exceeds the non-urban. It is curious that loneliness is a prevalent malady. It is easy to reach out and touch someone, we are told. But—in truth—it is not all that easy, and statistics from the mental health field will reinforce that opinion. Today's readings are about the ways in which we can authentically reach out: God touches Adam to create a mate and end his solitude; God-in-Jesus takes on human flesh and death in order that we might come to glory; Jesus reaches out to the children whom the disciples had tried to keep away, showing us the

manner in which we must approach the loving embrace that awaits us in heaven. Until that day, however, we must remember that ours is a sacramental church, a church of signs of the love of God. And so we are called to reach out continually to ease the loneliness and the barriers that separate us from one another and, therefore, from the love of Christ.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION--Using beads for prayer and meditation is an ancient custom, found in many cultures and religions. The Christian rosary dates from the twelfth century, when it provided a way for ordinary Christians to learn about the lives of Jesus and Mary. Alan de la Roche, a fifteenth-century Dominican, preferred "Psalter of Our Lady" to "rosary." This fitting name recalls an explanation of the devotion's origin. Unable to read the one hundred fifty psalms that formed the Church's "official" daily prayer, medieval Christians substituted first one hundred fifty *Pater Nosters*, and later one hundred fifty *Ave Marias*. By meditating on the various mysteries of the rosary while repeating these simple prayers, the faithful could immerse themselves in the whole mystery of the Incarnation and the Resurrection.

The dedication of October to the Blessed Virgin Mary is an appropriate reminder of this venerable form of prayer. Faithful Christians everywhere continue to meditate on the mysteries of the rosary, praying in groups or alone. Why not take advantage of this season to renew your acquaintance with the rosary?



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Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. — *Mark 10:14*