

St. John Parish

December 16 - 17 2017

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Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church		Joan Indiek
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Rita Naab
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Marvin Gleason
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Gerald Schmidt
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Ruth Temaat
Sat.	4:30 p.m.		Confessions	
	5:30 p.m.	Church		Sam Scott
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Church		All Parishioners
Sun.	9:00 p.m.	Church		Bernard Strecker
Mon.	9:00 a.m.	Church		Living and Deceased Members of D of I



MINISTERS FOR December 23-24

Servers: (Sat.) Kolten Bennett, J.J. Chapman (Sun.) Anna Stein, Kolby Stein and Levi Stein	Keyboard: (Sat.) Bryce Ackerman (Sun.) Bryce Ackerman
Greeters: (Sat.) D’Nelle Greenstreet (Sun.) Jeff Heskamp	Songleaders: (Sat.) Melanie Bryan (Sun.) Janel Calvin
Lectors: (Sat.) J.T. Horacek (Sun.) Craig Bowman	Ushers: (Sat.) Cory Ackerman, Rod Durler (Sun.) Tom Burke, Glen Helfrich
Eucharistic: (Sat.) Lynnette Hessman, Sue Hampton, Shirley Moritz, Joyce Rogers, Ross Ackerman, Kali Ackerman (Sun.) LaWana Van Nahmen, Toni Aistrup, Mary Benjamin, Levi Benjamin, LynAnn Bowman, John Calvin	Gifts: (Sat.) Cory Ackerman (Sun.) Shawn Rich Rosary: (Sat.) Virginia Ryan (Sun.) Charlie Kissling Collection: John Gunkel Collect. Asst.: Ron Temaat Sacristan: (Sat.) Dwaine Lampe



MINISTERS FOR December 24-25 Christmas Masses

Servers: (Sun.) Gavin and Brooklyn Schneweis, Anna Stein (Mon.) Andrew, Nathan and Catharine Bowman	Keyboard: (Sun.) Choir (Mon.) Julie Knoeber
Greeters: (Sun.) Lynnette Hessman (Mon.) Bill Hornung	Songleaders: (Sun.) Choir (Mon.) Janel Calvin
Lectors: (Sun.) Larry Friess (Mon.) Richard Broz	Ushers: (Sun.) Bernie Stegman, Phil Gleason (Mon.) Jeff Heskamp, Kevin Mages
Eucharistic: (Sun.) John Stegman, Mark Strecker, Jolene Tasset, Larry Tasset, Jill Vierthaler, Jennifer Lindsay (Mon.) L’Jean Dixon, Connie Heskamp, Kurt Kirmer, Trisha Sohm, Frank Mages, Larry Schmidt	Gifts: (Sun.) Larry B. Ackerman (Mon.) Lester Schulte Collection: Ross Ackerman Collect. Asst.: Phil Gleason Sacristan: (Sun.) Bonnie Laudick (Mon.) LynAnn Bowman

VOCATION VIEWS: Rejoice always! Our Savior is near! The call to priesthood and/or religious life is a source of great joy to those who embrace their call with their whole heart, mind and soul. (1 Thess. 5:16) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdioocese.org/vocations.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: December 9-10:
Collection Total — \$2,144.00.



CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR: Practice schedule will be December 17 & 20. Practice CDs will be available. For more information, please call Gayla Kirmer at 385-2506.



UPCOMING PENANCE SERVICES

December 17, at 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. OLG Cathedral
December 19 at 5:00 p.m.OLG Cathedral



THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):

Our parish begins RCIA soon for those who want to join the church this coming Easter. Please if you have a friend, or a relative who may need a church home you may contact Fr. John at 620-385-2212.



MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Sunday, December 24, Morning Mass..... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve 9:00 p.m.
Monday, December 25, Christmas Day 9:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 31, Morning Mass..... 9:30 a.m.
Monday, January 1, 2018, New Year’s Day..... 9:00 a.m.



STEWARDSHIP: December 17, 2017 (3rd Advent) All of the people in today’s readings – the prophet Isaiah, the Virgin Mary, St. Paul, St. John the Baptist – seemed to understand clearly and rejoice in what God was calling them to be and to do. Do I?



CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES: The 2018 Contribution envelopes are available at the back of church.



VIBRANT MINISTRY: As at December 1, 2017, we have reached \$259,311.67 of our Parish goal of \$325,850. It is with deep gratitude that we thank the 157 families who have made pledges and gifts to help us attain 80% of our Vibrant Ministries goal. Thanks for your generosity. Please our goal is not a must-reach one. Our parish is not going to pay the difference in case we are not able to reach our goal. But we encourage that if you have not yet made a donation you may do so to help us reach our goal. Thanks.



RESPECT LIFE: Register your youth now for the Diocese of Dodge City pro-life pilgrimage to Topeka on Monday, January 22, 2018. Join in a day of prayer, activity, and public witness to the value of every human life. Open to High School and College-age youth and sponsors. Bus will depart from Dodge City at 5:30 a.m. and stop in Great Bend at St. Patrick Catholic Church. The day’s activities will include Mass, march and a rally on the steps of the Capitol building and an opportunity to hear abortion survivor, Melissa Ohden prior to leaving Topeka around 4:00. There will be a dinner stop in Salina. Cost is \$35 for youth and youth leaders (includes lunch, transportation, rally and speaker). Donations are welcome to cover additional costs. Participants will need \$\$ for supper in Salina on the way home. Registrations with payment will be accepted until the bus is full, and should be directed to Gayla Kirmer, Diocese of Dodge City, P.O. Box 137, Dodge City KS 67801, 620-227-1525 orgkirmer@dcdioocese.org.



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION: “All are invited to the First Saturdays Devotion on January 6th at St. Stanislaus Church, Ingalls. 8:15 am. Confessions begin; 8:30 am rosary; 9:00 am. Mass; Meditation, confessions, and refreshments after Mass. The Great Promise of Our Blessed Mother: “I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the 15 mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me.



WINE TASTING EVENT: The 2018 Wine Tasting Event will be at the Great Bend Event Center on Friday, April 20. Mark your calendars now and plan on coming for a good time and a good cause!

December 18 - 24 Birthdays	
Dec. 18	Frank Mages, Gayle Linnebur
Dec. 19	Levi Stein, Karsen Halling
Dec. 20	Dayton Bradley
Dec. 21	Brookly Schneweis
Dec. 23	Carol Durler, Joyce Schulte, Kim Steimel
Dec. 24	Kevin Mages