

Sunday Connection

A Gospel Reflection by Loyola Press

Sunday, October 4th

27th Sunday in
Ordinary Time(A)

Gospel Reading

Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus tells the parable about
the wicked tenants.



FAMILY CONNECTION

In an ideal household, family members know the rules and follow them consistently. Even the most conscientious among us, however, sometimes needs to be reminded of the rules and their importance. How we respond to such correction reveals our true character. In today's Gospel Jesus exposes the religious leaders for their failure to heed God's messengers. It is an opportunity for us to consider how we respond to those who are God's messengers today, calling us to correct our ways and return to the way of the Lord.

As you gather as a family, talk about some of the most important rules of your household. Consider how consistently family members follow these rules. How are family members reminded when rules are not being followed? How do they respond? In today's Gospel Jesus corrects the religious leaders through a parable telling them that they have not heeded God's messengers. Read Matthew 21:33-43. What are some of God's rules that we must follow? How do we respond to God's messengers today? Pray together as a family that you will heed God's messengers and follow God's ways. Pray together the *Act of Contrition* for the times when your family has not heeded God's word.



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

OCTOBER 4, 2026

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

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Pastor

Fr. Emmanuel Kosikumah, 385-2212

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Parish Council-1st Thursdays @ 8PM

President: Jess Halling

Parish Center Office Hours

Hours listed are approximate
and change as needed.

Fr. Emmanuel - emmanuelkosikumah@gmail.com:

Office Hours - TBD (by appointment for sacramental needs)

Jenny - jschmidt@stjohnspearville.com:

M-F: 2:30 pm - 5 pm (during the school year)

MASS SCHEDULE: OCTOBER 5TH - 11TH

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION
M - 10.5	---NO MASS - Father's Day Off---		
T - 10.6	8:30am	Parkview	No Masses - Fr. Emmanuel will be gone for Fall Convocation in Wichita
"	9:30am	Southwind	
W - 10.7	8:30am	Parkview	
Th - 10.8	8:30am	Parkview	
F - 10.9	8:30am	Parkview	Susan Hernandez
Sat - 10.10	5:00 PM	Church	All Parishioners of St. John
Sun - 10.11	9:00 AM	Church	Lawrence Nietling

Confessions available 45 minutes before the weekend Masses.
Or call to schedule an appointment.

MASS MINISTERS - OCTOBER 10TH & 11TH

Collection: Lynnette Hessman & Ross Ackerman

MASS	SATURDAY - 5:00 PM	SUNDAY - 9:00 AM
Sacristan	Chanda Schulte	Karla Gleason
Servers	Blake Hornung Reece Schulte	Cammack Dvorak Jarran Dvorak
Lector	Larry Friess	Rich Gleason
EMHC	Becky Downey Mike Hubbell Tonya Hubbell	Connie Heskamp Drew Hubbell LaWana VanNahmen
Music	Ross Ackerman	Jenny Schmidt
Ushers	Rod Durler Kurt Halling	Jeff Heskamp Riley Schmidt
Gifts	Larry & Nancy Ackerman	Riley Schmidt Family

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1. Visit formed.org/signup
2. Enter our zip code and select our parish.
3. Enter your name & email.

Join the Email Prayer Chain

To join the list or to send a prayer request,
email Ginny Werner
(ginny_werner@yahoo.com) or
Lynnette Hessman
(nettemae1984@yahoo.com).



St. Leonard's
Council #1539

K-C Meetings

1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows



The Daughters of Isabella
St. Vincent de Paul #211

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2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room

BIRTHDAYS: 10/5 - 10/11

10.6	Greg Vierthaler Faith Ackerman
10.7	Sandy Ackerman Calder Ackerman
10.8	Jim Hogan
10.9	Larry Ackerman
10.11	Judy Fagen



Parish Announcements, News, and Events

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: *In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers; but there was not a single good steward on the property! God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?*

TITHING REPORT for SEPTEMBER 26th & 27th:

Box: \$ 1,375.50
Online: \$ 1,430.00

PARISH COUNCIL:

Because of the delayed September meeting, Parish Council will skip October and meet again on Thursday, November 5th, at 8 PM in the Oak Room.

Welcome, Fr. Emmanuel!

POTLUCK BRUNCH
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
FOLLOWING 9 AM MASS
AT THE PARISH CENTER

FAITH FORMATION INVITES YOU TO A STUDY ON PRAYER:

Join with other parishioners at 3:30pm on Sunday afternoons at the Parish Center, as we dive into a study called,

"The Heart of Prayer."

Bishop Andrew Cozzens draws from Scripture and the saints to reveal the beauty and transcendence of a prayer life, offering guidance that is practical and down-to-earth.



CGS UPDATE:

Thank you to all who have donated time, talents, and treasure to our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium. Sessions will start this week! We will have an open house for parishioners to check it out soon.

ROSARY CHALLENGE:

As always, when you receive the statue, pray for increased vocations in our diocese, your own personal intentions, and the pope's intentions listed for the month.

October Intention:

Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

October 4th - 11th:
Whitney Gleason Family



VOCATION REFLECTION:

"Have no anxiety at all, but make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7)

If you're discerning the priesthood, contact our Diocesan Director of Vocations:
Fr. John Stang @ 620-227-1500 or vocationpromotion@dcdiocese.org

*A big thank you to everyone who gave input on the new Mass times! We hope the new times will be agreeable to most everyone and that we can take better advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation before **BOTH** Masses, and enjoy the opportunity to have more fellowship with Father after Masses! Invite him out to eat or to your home for a meal. Let's not only welcome him at church, but into our community and our daily lives as well.*

SOUP SUPPER

If any businesses or individuals want to donate raffle prizes for the soup supper, please contact Lorie Stein. 620-385-0079

St. John the Baptist
ANNUAL
PARISH
SOUP
SUPPER
Sunday, October 18th



5:00-7:00 PM
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
PARISH CENTER
SOUP, SANDWICHES, & PIE
FREE-WILL DONATION
GAMES, RAFFLE PRIZES,
& DOOR PRIZES
FUN & FOOD
FOR EVERYONE!

STAND UP FOR THE UNBORN: LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

*The National 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 4, 2:00-3:00 p.m.***

St. John the Baptist Parish will be participating in the Dodge City Life Chain on 14th Street. Location: Stop at Zeigler Funeral Chapel on 1901 N 14th Ave. to pick up a sign, then walk or drive to your location in the chain.