

VOCATION VIEWS: Even a great person like Jonah turned away, at first, from what God called him to do. It is never too late to hear the Lord say, “Come, follow Me.” If you think is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website.

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — January 25 - 31					
Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention	
Mon.	No Mass				
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Virginia Ryan (Birthday)	
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Jim Sanko	
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Annette Stein	
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Church		LaVera Strecker	
Sat.	3:00 p.m.	Church	Confessions		
	4:00 p.m.	Church		Austin & Katie Kropp	
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Church		Living & Deceased Members of D of I	



A WARM WELCOME to new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass. There are family information cards located in the back of church. Feel free to fill out and drop in the collection basket to register.

RENT THE PARISH CENTER: Call Rosann Tasset, 385-2487.

ST. JOHN’S PRAYER CHAIN: If you have someone you would like to have on our prayer chain, please call Lynnette Hessman, at 620-408-8582 or email her at nettemae1984@yahoo.com. You may also request to be added to the calling tree or email list.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Engaged couples, please contact the pastor at least four months in advance to allow sufficient time for necessary marriage preparation. A wedding is tentative until this is completed.

INFANT BAPTISMS: Parents should be registered in the parish. For baptismal preparation, please contact the pastor at 385-2212.



MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS:

1/30/21 Saturday: Mike Hubbell (EMC), Tonya Hubbell (Lector), Rich Gleason (Collection), Frank Mages (Collection Asst.)

1/31/21 Sunday: Frank Mages (EMC), Kelly Tasset (Lector)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please wear a mask and sanitize your hands then come forward at the Lamb of God. Receive the host, then remove your mask and consume it. Replace your mask and then sanitize your hands again. (Sanitizer is located on the credence table beside Father at the altar.) Father will then give you the paten with the hosts in it. Give out communion to the north side first, if anyone is seated there. Then proceed to the outer edge of the front step, near the hand sanitizer on the stand. People will come from the outside

edges of the pews and should be wearing a mask and maintaining the 6 ft distance. If you should happen to touch another person while distributing, stop and go to the sanitizing station, set down the paten, sanitize your hands and then return to giving out communion. Please go to the back if there are musicians and then return your paten to Fr. John at the altar when you are finished. For little children who have not yet made First Communion, you can just do an “air” blessing instead of touching them. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: There is a certain urgency in today’s Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples – Andrew, and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus immediately, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me – at this moment, in these circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?



PARKVIEW MASSES: Mass on Thursdays in Parkview resumes on Thursday, February 4, 2012.



FORMED: Our Parish just purchased FORMED and below are the sign up instructions:

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select “Sign Up As a Parishioner”
4. Find St. John the Baptist by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your e-mail - and you’re in!

FORMED is a Catholic website where you can get thousands of movies, programs, audios and books to help you grow in understanding your catholic faith. If you need any help contact Jenny Schmidt.



FAITH FORMATION: Are you searching for something? Faith Formation would like to invite you to the parish center after church January 17th. We will be watching an episode of the video series “The Search” found on our Formed account. The title of the episode we will be watching is “Why A God?” There will be a potluck brunch. Yum! We will also be offering to teach anyone how to access and use Formed, the website our parish has purchased.



2020-2021 SEMINARIANS: Please pray for our seven seminarians, now and throughout the year!

John Stang – Prince of Peace, Great Bend

Eric Frieb – St. Ann, Olmitz

Adam Urban – Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City
Esteban Hernandez – Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City

Joshua Becker – St. Joseph, Scott City

Carson Haupt – St. Joseph, Scott City

Jonathan Lemus – Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City



THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!: A huge, heartfelt thank you to all those who helped move crib and decorate the church for the Christmas season! Wonderful help made light work of a big job!



POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2021: Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father’s request this month and to join with many people worldwide in praying for Violence Against Women: We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

SNAP FOOD ASSISTANCE: Struggling to provide food for yourself or your family? Catholic Charities staff members are available to help with the application for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP Food Assistance). Call 620-272-0010.



MANNA HOUSING HIRING: Due to the sudden passing of the Manna House director, Mike Hoar, Manna house is searching for a director. The director will oversee all aspects of Manna House. Director will supervise night staff and volunteers. The director will be the Manna House face in the community. Fund raising is a very important duty of the director. Ability to lift heavy boxes is a must as this person will pick up food from the schools and other places that donate. Manna House is a not for profit organization, but directorship is a paid position. This person must be non-judgemental, kind, caring, compassionate who must sometimes make tough decisions. Typically hours are 9 to 5 but there is room for flexibility. If interested or for more information call John Askew, Manna House Board President, at 620-682-5537.



IS IT TRUE THAT THERE IS A CONNECTION BETWEEN SOME VACCINES AND ABORTION?

Yes. Several decades ago, tissue harvested from the bodies of aborted babies was used to create certain cell lines for research purposes. The cells in these lines are, in effect, the descendants of those cells that were originally harvested. They have been made to replicate themselves and some cell lines can be reproduced indefinitely. These abortion-derived cell lines are used as a “factory” to manufacture certain vaccines (e.g. rubella, chickenpox, some of the COVID-19 vaccines, etc.). The cells themselves, however, are not present in the vaccines that patients receive.

Is it morally acceptable to receive a COVID-19 vaccine that uses abortion-derived cell lines?

Given that the COVID-19 virus can involve serious health risks, it can be morally acceptable to receive a vaccine that uses abortion-derived cell lines if there are no other available vaccines comparable in safety and efficacy with no connection to abortion. If it is possible to choose among a number of equally safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines, the vaccine with the least connection to abortion-derived cell lines should be chosen. If a vaccine with no connection to abortion-derived cell lines is not readily available, vaccines that used such cell lines only for testing would be preferable to those that use such cell lines for ongoing production. Such choices may not be possible, however, especially in the early stages of vaccine distribution. In that case, one may receive any of the clinically recommended vaccines in good conscience with the assurance that reception of such vaccines does not involve immoral cooperation in abortion.

January 25 - 31 Birthdays

Jan. 25	Wendy Sanko, Jakob Benjamin
Jan. 26	Ehlaina Hartman, Wesley Gleason
Jan. 27	Quinn Ackerman
Jan. 28	Virginia Ryan, Clyde Schmidt
Jan. 29	Denny Schawe
Jan. 30	Sue Ann Hampton, Rita Stein
Jan. 31	Spencer Eberle