

Sunday, October 11, 2009: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAITH CORNER

SEARCHING FOR GOD

God is our supreme good and everything else must be valued in relationship to God.

God has given us many good things for our enjoyment. Enjoying the gifts of God with gratitude is a vital part of worship. In fact, many Old Testament stories end with the command to have a festival to celebrate God's goodness. Many of the psalms are prayers of thanksgiving for the good things God has given us. The Sabbath was given as a time to notice, to savor, and to rejoice in the good things we have been given.

At times, we can and do make the mistake of valuing the gifts over the Giver. Some people make material goods, rather than their Creator, an end in themselves. Sometimes we are like the rich young man in today's gospel. We hold onto the created goods and refuse the invitation of Jesus.

National Catechetical Directory

The human heart is alive with desire for created goods, and behind this desire is longing for God....Everything good and worthwhile in the adventure of human life is such because it shows forth in some way the glory of God and points back to Him. (#102)

Catechism of the Catholic Church

Christian Holiness

"We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him...For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified." (#2012)

"All Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of Christian life and to the perfection of charity." All are called to holiness: "Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

In order to reach this perfection the faithful should use the strength dealt out to them by Christ's gift, so that...doing the will of the Father in everything, they may wholeheartedly devote themselves to the glory of God and to the service of their neighbor. Thus the holiness of the People of God will grow in fruitful abundance, as is clearly shown in the history of the Church through the lives of so many saints. (#2013)

FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

ADULTS: How hard is it for you to part with things you treasure? Do your possessions ever stand in the way of having deeper communion with God?

YOUTH: What is your most important possession? How hard would it be for you to give it up?

CHILDREN: How difficult would it be for you to give something you treasure to someone else who needed it more than you do?

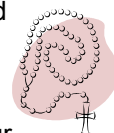
Masses, Intentions & Services

Sat.	Oct. 10 5:00 p.m.+ Fritz & Troy Legleiter
Sun.	Oct. 11 9:30 a.m. People of the Parish 11:00 a.m.+ Herman Berens
Wed.	Oct. 14 7:30 a.m.+ Janet Rodda
Fri.	Oct. 16 7:30 a.m.+ LeRoy 'Dick' Augustine
Sat.	Oct. 17 5:00 p.m.+ Tony Legleiter
Sun.	Oct. 18 9:30 a.m. People of the Parish 11:00 a.m.+ Marietta Herl

NEXT SUNDAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

United with the Catholics of the world at the Table of the Lord, we recommit ourselves to our vocation, through Baptism, to be missionaries. Our prayers and Eucharistic celebration next Sunday are directed in a special way toward our brothers and sisters throughout the world who are waiting to hear the joyous "Good News" of Jesus. Our offerings, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, will support the work and witness of those who selflessly give up all for the sake of our Lord and His Gospel – the local priests, Religious, and lay catechists who daily provide loving service to the poor and suffering of the Developing World.

Mission Sunday will be held on the weekend of Oct. 17 & 18. The Salina Diocesan Propagation of the Faith is requesting that we say a rosary before every Mass this weekend. A rosary will be said a half hour before every Mass in the chapel.



CCAA

Once again all of the Catholic Population of Northwest Kansas will be taking part in the DIOCESAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ANNUAL APPEAL. Please pray your own special prayer each day during this week for its success this year.



The Register brings you news about the Diocese of Salina, messages from your Bishop and stories and commentary about the Church here and around the world. Look for your special copy of the Oct. 30, issue in your mailbox. Inside will be an envelope to use to renew or start your new subscription.

Tithing: Your Gift to God

Our 2009/2010 fiscal year started July 1, 2009

Week Collection of Oct. 4	\$ 10,128
Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$ 12,706
Collection Year to Date	\$157,022
Budgeted Collection Year to Date	\$177,884
As of Oct. 4, 2009 we are over/(under) budget	(\$ 20,862)

MONEY COUNTERS

Oct. 11	Shannon & Jan Stauth
Oct. 18	Ramie Wasinger, Bill & Tiffany Weber
Oct. 25	Henrietta Haselhorst, Linda Braun & Judith Zerr-Schamberger
Nov. 1	Tim & Tina Zimmerman

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Readings for Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, October 12

Romans 1:1-7; Psalm 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 13

Romans 1:16-25; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 14 (St. Callistus I)

Romans 2:1-11; Psalm 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Luke 11:42-46

Thursday, October 15 (St. Teresa of Jesus)

Romans 3:21-30; Psalm 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Luke 11:47-54

Friday, October 16

(St. Hedwig, & St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)

Romans 4:1-8; Psalm 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Luke 12:1-7

Saturday, October 17 (St. Ignatius of Antioch)

Romans 4:13, 16-18; Psalm 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43; Luke 12:8-12

Sunday, October 18

Isaiah 53:10-11; Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22);

Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45



Faith Formation News

Faith Formation class sessions,
Wednesday, Oct. 14

Pre-K-Grade 5 - 6:15-7:15pm

Grades 6 & 7 - 7:30-8:30pm

Grade 8 - 7:15-8:30pm

Oct. 14 - First session **Child Lures** safe environment program presented to children.

- **TMP Ambassadors** will visit with 6, 7 & 8th grades during first half of class. Parents are encouraged to attend also.

Oct. 18 - Reconciliation Retreat for 2nd grade Children and Parents, 1:30 to 3:00pm at IHM Activity Center

Oct. 21 - **No Faith Formation sessions** – Catechist In-service

Oct. 25 - Confirmation Retreat for 8th grade Youth and Parents 3-6pm at IHM Church. **Presented by Fr. Jarett Konrade** Mass and evening meal will be part of the program.

CYO News

Sunday, Oct. 18 - CYO will assist/serve during the first shift 11:30-1:00 Need 15 -20 youth to help.

- **CYO Meeting 6:30-8:00pm**

Sunday, Oct. 25 - **World Youth Day, 9:30am Mass and Coffee & Conversation** after Mass. Contact Kathy Volker if you are interested in participating in the various ministries at this Mass. We will need musicians/cantors, gift bearers, lectors, and servers

AND - Hickok Park (22nd & Donald) Stream Clean 1pm, meet at south side of park. Bring work gloves, wear old clothes & shoes.



CYO FUNDRAISER

St. Nicholas CYO will be selling Premier Jewelry through Oct. 18. Contact a CYO member or the Parish Office to see a catalog. We will receive 50% of net sales. Proceeds go toward CYO activities and trips. Thank you for supporting our youth.

Jr. CYO

Mark your calendars! The Tri-Parish HRC Fun Night will be held on Sunday, Oct. 11, from 7 to 9pm. Join us for activities, games, food, fun, and prayer with your middle school friends from all 3 parishes. It is sure to be a fun evening!

Fr. Joseph Kieffer and Fr. Tony Neusch are celebrating their 5th Anniversary of Priesthood with a 9 day pilgrimage to Florence, Assisi and Rome, Italy. The pilgrimage is from Nov. 11 – 19, and will depart from Dallas, TX. The cost of the pilgrimage is \$2,279 plus taxes and airfare from Kansas to Dallas. For more information contact Fr. Joseph at 785-738-2851 or sjpastor@nckcn.com



St. Nick's annual soup day is next Sunday, Oct. 18. There is still a need for pies or other desserts. Anyone wishing to help or make donations can still sign-up before and after all

Masses this weekend. If anyone has any extra containers for leftover food (i.e butter, whipped topping bowls, etc...), please bring them to the church kitchen. Anyone available to help with food preparations on Friday morning, Oct. 16, please come to the church hall at 9am. All help and donations are always appreciated. Any questions call Mary Mellick 628-8896.

Diocese of Salina Feasibility Study

The clock is ticking – we need your input!

The feasibility study that started in August will be wrapping up in October. The results of this study will impact our entire Diocese. If you haven't participated in a personal interview, mail survey or focus group, please fill out an online questionnaire. Just go to salinadiocese.org and click on the "Building on the Rock" logo.

The study is examining two of the biggest challenges facing the Diocese right now including funding priest retirement and seminary education. We also need to look at Catholic Charities and the implementation of our pastoral plan.

The last day to take part is Tuesday, Oct. 20. Your feedback will be helpful in prioritizing our needs and gauging the level of support for a possible capital campaign.

A capital campaign is a major fundraising effort that will focus on challenges that can't be fully addressed during our annual appeal. Donors are able to make a one time gift or make a pledge that can be paid over a five-year time frame.

You can read more about the challenges and take the survey on our website: salinadiocese.org. Click on the "Building on the Rock" logo.

We appreciate your time and opinions!

If you have any questions, please contact Shawn Crawford, Director of Development at 785-827-8746.

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Holy Family Elementary

- Oct. 12 - HFE Pizza Hut Night; 5 to 9pm, both restaurants
- Oct. 12, 13, & 14 - Hearing Screening
- Oct. 18 - First Reconciliation Retreat; 2nd Grade Students & Parents, 1:30 to 3pm, IHM.
- Oct. 21 - Picture Retakes, 8 to 10:30am
- Oct. 22 - October Birthday Mass & Dinner
 - McDonald's HFE Night, 5 to 8pm, North Restaurant Only.
- Thank you for your continued support of Holy Family with collecting Box Tops, Campbell Food Product UPC bar codes, Aluminum Cans, McDonald Labels, Cartridges and Pennies. In support of Ronald McDonald House, we are collecting pop tabs for the Hays High DECA Club. Please turn in your tabs to the school office.



Mark Calendars for the Thomas More Prep-Marian upcoming events:

- Oct. 25 - PTF Soup Supper, 4 to 7pm, TMP Cafeteria
- Oct. 29 - 8th grade visitation day
- Nov. 6 - TMP-Marian Bake Sale
 - Bierocks \$25.00 per dozen; Kuchen \$8.00 each; Frozen Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough \$6.00 each makes 2 to 3 dozen cookies. Deadline for all orders is Friday, Oct. 30, Pick up orders from 3 to 6pm, on Nov. 6, in TMP-M Dining room.
- Nov. 6 - No School - Diocese In-service
- Nov. 9 - Fall Sports Banquet
- Nov. 12, 14, & 15 - Fall play
- Nov. 25-29 - Thanksgiving break
- Nov. 30 - School will resume

Dillons Coupons will be available this weekend after all Masses, Oct. 10 & 11.

WE WELCOME IN BAPTISM

Grady Clarence Samuel, infant son of Luke and Janelle Samuel, who will be baptized on Saturday, Oct. 10.



Ladies Guild Members: Mark your calendars for Oct. 19, at 7pm!! Come see the New 2009 Fall Fashions coming down the run way .You won't want to miss the fun!! **Bring a friend and come enjoy the evening.**

RCIA will be held on Thursday, Oct. 15, at 7pm, Anyone interested, please contact the office at 628-1446.

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Training Session

Eucharist Minister: Oct. 17, at 10am

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 17 & 18

Saturday, 5:00 P.M.

<u>EM</u>	<u>Proclaimer</u>	<u>Hospitality</u>
Sr. Vivian Kleinsorge	Marie Froelich #1	Galen Gottschalk
Jo Good	Eileen Roberts #2	Neil Legleiter
Alan Hoffman		<u>Sacristan</u>
Charlie Munsch	<u>Altar Servers</u>	Sylvia Reinhardt
Jeanie Munsch	Sarah Gottschalk	
Henry Reinhardt	Albany Schaffer	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
Mary Selensky	Raeleann Weigel	Norman Keller
Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Mass		
<u>EM</u>	<u>Proclaimer</u>	<u>Hospitality</u>
Neil Klaus	Clare Gustin #1	John Dopita
Joel Dreiling	Rick Rajewski #2	
Darlene Kroeger		<u>Sacristan</u>
LeRoy Lang	<u>Altar Servers</u>	Pat Lang
Ruth Schumacher	Sarah Jo Gustin	
Tim Schumacher	Amber Klaus	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
Ramie Wasinger +	Adam Klaus	Bill Weber
Sunday, 11:00 A.M. Mass		
<u>EM</u>	<u>Proclaimer</u>	<u>Hospitality</u>
Janet Kohl	Karen Aten #1	Deenna Gregg
Carrie Gottschalk	Jorge Vazquez #2	
Jayne Inlow		<u>Sacristan</u>
Rose McFarland	<u>Altar Servers</u>	Jenni Leiker
Shannon Stauth	Torrie Gregg	
Jan Stauth	Matea Gregg	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
Bob Wasinger	Elly Lang	Errol Engel

Workshop for Cantors

Fr. Jim Sichko will present a workshop for cantors at St. Joseph Church on Tuesday evening, Oct. 13, at 7pm. This is open to all of the Heartland Parishes. Fr. Jim Sichko will present, "Catholicism 101", Part 1 on Wednesday afternoon at 2pm, and Part 2 on Thursday afternoon at 2pm, in St. Joseph's Church. This is open to all the Heartland Parishes.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

invites all parishioners to spend some time in prayer with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The following hours to be filled are: Monday at 5am; Tuesday at 3am; Wednesday at 3am; Thursday at 3pm; Friday at 7am; and Saturday at 6pm. If you can fill one of these hours please call Lil at 625-7474 or Bob Feauto at 628-1429. Review your day and prayer time & thank God for the ways He blessed you this day.

Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County

A special collection will be taken this weekend of Oct. 10 & 11, to benefit Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County. Envelopes for this collection will be available in the pews at all Masses next weekend. **Make checks payable to Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County.** Also, a Benefit Barbeque for Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County will be held on Sunday, Oct. 25, from 11am to 1pm, at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 2703 Fort. (Freewill Offering)

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The Daughters of Isabella will be sponsoring a Food and Craft Bingo at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Activity Center on Sunday Oct. 11, 1:30pm. There will be cakes, pies, cookies, crafts, misc items as prizes. All are welcome to attend. Also, the D of I will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 13, in the Activity Center of IHM at 7pm. All are encouraged to attend.



Fall Schedule for Cup a Joe

-- **Remember** we are open Monday – Wednesday morning from 7 to 9am. Come through the east side door and use the inside staircase.

-- **Tuesday, Oct. 13** – Join us for Stump the Priest night from 7 to 8pm, with Fr. Gilmarty.

-- **Join us** for free homemade cinnamon rolls on Sunday, Oct. 18, from 8:30am to 12pm. Come through the main door of the Parish Service Center and use the inside staircase.

-- **Tuesday, Oct. 20** – Join us for a **Mama Mia** movie night and sing along. We will have the musical subtitles to sing along with the movie as we watch it.

-- **Join us** at Cup a Joe on Thursday, Oct. 29, from 7 to 9pm, for an early Family Halloween Celebration. We will show the movie Young Frankenstein. Enjoy free popcorn and candy as you watch the movie. We will discount our orange Cow Drink by \$.50. Don't miss out on the fun.

Vocations

"Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" If you ask the Lord this question in prayer, are you ready to respond with a joyful "yes" or will you turn from Him with a heavy, unyielding heart. Consider following Christ more closely as a priest or in consecrated life. Call Father Jarett Konrade (785) 827-8746, or write: vocations@salinadiocese.org.



Are you looking for some good reading, but aren't interested in another magazine subscription? We have a solution!! Take a look at the new **Catholic Reading Center** located in the gathering space. Assembled there are a variety of wonderful reading resources.

On the table are free reading items **and in the rack are items to purchase. Please use the handy envelopes on the rack for your donations.** St. Nicholas Parish will keep 20% of all sales. So you get quality reading with no hassle and help the parish at the same time. Contact Kathy in the parish office if you have suggestions for other titles.

Needed: Meals on Wheels Coordinator. Duties include scheduling volunteers 4-5 times a year to deliver Meals on Wheels. Contact Cathy Pfeifer at Work 621-2085 or Cell 623-1780 for more information.

Come join us on a bus trip to Washington DC to march with our bishop in the March for Life.



The Salina Diocese Respect Life Commission is planning its 4th diocesan bus trip to the March For Life in DC on Jan. 22, 2010. The bus will leave Salina on Wednesday Jan. 20, at 1pm and arrive back in Salina early Sunday morning Jan. 24. The cost of the trip (bus fare and 2 nights hotel room) will be \$295 for four in a room, and \$380 for two in a room. Reserve seats ASAP, as reservations are needed no later than Oct. 31. If questions contact: Gil & Carol Otter, 785-877-5423, caotter@ruraltel.net



Please help the Community Assistance Center, Trick or Treat so others can eat food drive will be on Oct. 13. (Non-perishable food please.)

Christmas Food Basket Form:

All low income families and individuals in Ellis County may fill out forms for their food box and Toys for Tots. All forms must be completed by Nov. 6. Hours at the Community Assistance Center: Monday thru Friday 8 to noon. Also, the Center will be closed on Saturdays until next spring.

St. Joseph Cemetery Fees



Due to rising costs associated with management, maintenance and care, the St. Joseph Cemetery will be increasing the cost of a single grave easement to \$250.00 effective Jan. 1, 2010. All other St. Joseph Cemetery fees will remain unchanged. This change will also bring the cost in line with the current price charged by the City of Hays in Mount Allen Cemetery, which was increased to \$250.00 on Dec. 23, 2008.

Come celebrate a day of Breast Cancer Awareness and Survivorship. Join us at the 14th Annual "Day of Caring" brunch and fashion show on Saturday, Oct. 24, at FHSU Memorial Union. Models are breast cancer survivors. Tickets available for \$15 a person until Oct. 19. For more information call the Cancer Council of Ellis County, 625-6653.



THE DAYS AHEAD

- Oct. 12** K of C Meeting, 7pm
- Oct. 13** St. Nicholas Prayer Group Meeting, 1pm
-- Liturgy Meeting, 7pm
- Oct. 14** Rosary for Family Life, Adoration Chapel, 9pm
-- Faith & Family Building Meeting, 5:30pm
- Oct. 15** Finance Council Meeting, noon
- Oct. 17** Men of Myra, 7:30am
- Oct. 18** Rosary in the St. Nicholas Chapel, 9am

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Image of the Christian Steward: Caretaker of the Garden

In Genesis, in the Story of Creation, God looked upon what he made and found it good. The Lord planted the garden and placed us here to cultivate and care for it. In doing so from the fullness of our being, we give thanks, praise, honor, and glory to God.

Heartland Social Justice Commission 2nd Sunday Film Series

Second Sunday Film Series is sponsored by the Heartland Social Justice Commission. The October film is Wall-E. The animated film Wall-E is set 700 years in the future. The earth is no longer habitable due to damage to the environment and excessive consumerism. Humans have left the earth, leaving behind robots to clean up the earth for recolonization. Wall-E is the last remaining of these cleaning robots. The film is disturbing, touching and ends with hope for the future. The film will be shown on Oct. 11, at the Hays Public Library at 1:30pm. Refreshments will be available. Discussion will follow. All are welcome.

Christian Icons Presentation, Oct. 19

Iconography presents symbols in the form of art. Christian iconography was widely used in the early Church to both inspire Christians and teach them their faith. The Eastern Catholic church still uses iconography extensively. Our presenter will be Barbara Carlin, an IHM parishioner, who holds a Master of Fine Arts from Wichita State University and did her master's thesis on this very topic. Mark your calendar for the date. Presentations will be at 2:30 and 7pm, at the Upper Room at Immaculate Of Mary Parish.

An Afternoon with St. Paul, Nov. 1, Tickets Available!

This outstanding two-person play is Nov. 1, at 2pm, in the TMP-M auditorium. Tickets are \$5 each. Call Mark Roberti at 625-7356. You can also get tickets at Messenger Catholic Books & Gifts, 2512 Vine, Centennial Mall, Hays.



Appointment with God Improving Your Prayer Life, Nov. 5

We make appointments every day, but do we set sufficient time aside to be with the King of the Universe? Is it quality time? On Thursday, Nov. 5, at 2:30pm and 7pm, in the St. Nicholas of Myra Parish Hall, Deacon Mark Roberti will share some very simple prayer and worship techniques which, without question, can help you improve your daily prayer life and your worship experience at Mass. They will help you grow in your relationship with God. All are welcome. Bring a family member or friend. They do not have to be Catholic. These techniques work for anyone who prays.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

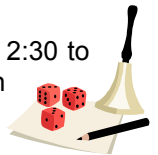
In today's Second Reading it says, "Indeed the word of God is living and effective". Learn how to make the Word of God shine in your marriage. Hear more about the choices to love that keep marriage strong. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is Nov. 6-8 at the Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life in Victoria. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information call Dave and Joan Dunn at 785-628-1795 or e-mail at micromedia@ruraltel.net. Visit our website at www.wwmesection9.org

First Friday Respect Life Mass, Nov. 6

Please join us for our monthly First Friday Heartland Parishes Respect Life Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray for life, our nation, and that all within our nation and the world would respect life from conception to natural death. Mass begins at 5:30pm, at St. Joseph Parish. It is preceded by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 4:55pm, then the Rosary at 5pm.

Next Bunko is Nov. 12

The next Bunko is Thursday, Nov. 12, from 2:30 to 4:30pm, in the St. Nicholas of Myra parish hall. People of all ages are welcome. Prizes for most wins, most losses, and most Bunkos. Refreshments served. Great camaraderie! Every one of all ages and faith walks is invited. Bring a friend. If you are a senior at home alone, this is a great way to break the daily routine. Contact Mark Roberti 625-7356 if you have any questions.



How Do I Remember my Parish in my Will? It's Simple!

I give _____% and/or \$ _____ of my estate to (name of Parish, in the Diocese of Salina) (Address, City, State, Zip), to provide funding for the _____ program/ministry at (name of parish) or the particular needs of the parish as determined by the presiding pastor. The parish tax I.D. # is _____.

Catholic Radio Programming

Saturday afternoons from 2 to 4pm, on Patriot 105.7, the Heartland Parishes of Ellis County host two hours of Catholic EWTN radio programming.

Pope's Intentions for October 2009

General: That Sunday may be lived as the day on which Christians gather to celebrate the risen Lord, participating in the Eucharist.

Mission: That the entire People of God, to whom Christ entrusted the mandate to go and preach the Gospel to every creature, may eagerly assume their own missionary responsibility and consider it the highest service they can offer humanity.