

Sunday, February 7, 2010: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAITH CORNER

GOD'S REVELATION AND OUR RESPONSE

It is one thing to have information about a person, it is quite another to know the person as a friend. When we know the person as a friend, there is a two-way communication, a dialogue which leads to a communion that cannot be put into words. Because I know this person as a friend, I can count on my friend to be there for me. I will be available for my friend. There is a new dimension in my life because of my friend. Our friendship changes the way I look at life.

God's revelation is like the experience of friendship. God reveals not just information, but God's self. God reveals God's self in many different ways: in creation, in history, in community, in the tradition of the Church. God has revealed God's self in a unique way through Jesus Christ. God's revelation calls for a response from us.

National Catechetical Directory

From the beginning He has gradually made known the inexhaustible mystery of His love in words and deeds and, in so doing, summoned a response in faith from His people. The loving self-revelation of God and the response of humankind together constitute a profound dialogue. (#48, see also #49)

Catechism of the Catholic Church God Comes to Meet Man Vocation

By natural reason man can know God with certainty, on the basis of his works. But there is another order of knowledge, which man cannot possibly arrive at by his own powers: the order of divine Revelation. Through an utterly free decision, God has revealed himself and given himself to man. This he does by revealing the mystery, his plan of loving goodness, formed from all eternity in Christ, for the benefit of all men. God has fully revealed this plan by sending us his beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. (#50)

FAITH SHARING QUESTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

ADULTS: When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

YOUTH: Following Jesus can mean leaving some things behind. What do you need to let go of to follow Jesus more fully in your life?

CHILDREN: What is a way that you can follow Jesus?

Fr. Daryl will be attending Rachel's Vineyard in Victoria this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.



Bulletin Ads are being renewed at this time. We have one spot to be filled by a business. If you are interested in filling a spot, please contact Ramona at 628-1446.

Masses, Intentions & Services

Sat. Feb. 6 5:00 p.m.+ John & Margaret Befort
Sun. Feb. 7 9:30 a.m.+ Mike & Celeste Stecklein
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish
Wed. Feb. 10 7:30 a.m.+ Max Higgins
Fri. Feb. 12 7:30 a.m.+ Betty Palen
Sat. Feb. 13 5:00 p.m. Pete & Lucida Unrein Family
Sun. Feb. 14 9:30 a.m.+ Ralph Hoffman
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Thank you for your support and generosity to the Haiti Earthquake Relief and Recovery efforts. We collected a total of \$3,936.00.

Third Annual St. Nicholas Whole Parish Meeting

Please mark your calendar for the *St. Nicholas Whole Parish Meeting* which will be held on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 7pm, in the church. Meeting will last an hour. Childcare will be provided. Come ready to share your thoughts. Bring your comments and questions. Refreshments will follow.

Stewardship Fair – Feb. 27 & 28 after all Masses. All parishioners are invited to St. Nicholas Annual Stewardship Fair. Come visit “booths” representing the many commissions and ministries active at St. Nicholas Parish. Enjoy refreshments, face painting, adult and youth door prize drawings. Something for everyone!



COFFEE & CONVERSATION – Feb. 14, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Hosted by the Family Life Committee. Come join us!

WELCOME

Please extend a warm welcome to the newest members of our parish family:

Gary & Sandy Haselhorst;
Amy Mayo and Family;

Tithing: Your Gift to God

Our 2009/2010 fiscal year started July 1, 2009

Week Collection of Jan. 31	\$ 11,448
Budgeted Weekly Collection	\$ 12,706
Collection Year to Date	\$388,502
Budgeted Collection Year to Date	\$393,886
As of Jan. 31, 2010 we are over/(under) budget	(\$ 5,384)

The parish tithes for January went to **St. Paul's Catholic Mission, First Call for Help, Mary Elizabeth Home, Birthright, and Rachel's Vineyard.**

MONEY COUNTERS

Feb. 7 Stan & Bernus Munsch
Feb. 14 Kristi, Samantha, & Sara Newell
Feb. 21 Tammy Dreiling & Lisa Hess
Feb. 28 Myron & Carol Schlegel

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Readings for the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, February 8

(St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita)

1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Psalm 132:6-7, 8-10; Mark 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 9

1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11;
Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 10 (St. Scholastica)

1 Kings 10:1-10; Psalm 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;
Mark 7:14-23

Thursday, February 11

1 Kings 11:4-13; Psalm 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40;
Mark 7:24-30

Friday, February 12

1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19;
Psalm 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mark 7:31-37

Saturday, February 13

1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34;
Psalm 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mark 8:1-10

Sunday, February 14

Jeremiah 17:5-8; Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c);
1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26



Faith Formation News

Wednesdays

Feb. 10 Classes in session

Feb. 17 **NO Classes** –

Ash Wednesday, Mass at 7:00pm

Feb. 24 PK-Grades 5 - Family Lenten Activity Night during regular class time.

Grades 6&7 – Lenten Prayer Service first 20 minutes of class, Parents are encouraged to participate.

CYO News

ENCHILADA SALES BEGIN Now. Please see a member of CYO or place your order after Masses on Feb. 6 & 7. **6 for \$7.50 or 12 for \$14.00** Orders will be ready for pick up Feb. 20 and 21, after all Masses. Checks can be made payable to **St. Nicholas CYO.**

Next meeting- Sunday, Feb. 7 It's Super Bowl Sunday so meet at the Volker house (504-W.40th St.) to cheer on you favorite team. Prayer included. Bring one baby item for Mary Elizabeth Home.

LADIES GUILD MEMBERS:

Have you ever needed a greeting card and didn't have one? It was too late to go get one!! Don't miss the meeting Feb. 15, at 7pm. You will see how quick you can make your own greeting card. See you the 15th!!



Daughters of Isabella will meet Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 7pm, for their monthly meeting at IHM Activity Center. Guest speaker will be Stephanie Schaffer, Fitness Director at Center for Health Improvement. Her topic is Heart Health. Dues of \$12.00 for 2010 can be mailed to Janet Koerner, 2525 Henry, Hays, KS 67601.



Free! T-Shirt, food, door prizes, fellowship + fun!

Walk for a Grieving Heart

Fundraiser for Rachel's Vineyard
9 a.m. Feb. 13

Colby – Hays – Salina – Sharon Springs

For a registration form call: 1-877-447-4383

or e-mail: rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org



LENT begins Feb. 17. Consider joining a Lenten small faith sharing group to enhance your spiritual preparation. Groups can be formed to fit your schedule and family situation; adults only, family groups for those with

children, intergenerational groups, etc. Sign up sheets are available in the gathering space. You will be contacted prior to the first meeting (week of Feb. 21) by a group leader. **DEAD LINE TO REGISTER IS WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10.**



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 on the south side of 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. 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.

Catholic Websites

Adult – **Vatican Radio**

<http://www.radiovaticana.org/inglese/enindex.html>

Children – **Catholic Youth Networking: Young Saints**

<http://catholicyouth.freeservers.com/saints/index.htm>

Youth – **Pope2you on FaceBook**

http://apps.facebook.com/popetoyou/?auth_token=36e08dcc9a311b0363ec52016e2410b9

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Holy Family Elementary



- Feb. 8** - Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3:30 to 7pm; PA & PB Preschool is in session.
 -- School Advisory Board Meeting, 7pm, Little Theatre
- Feb. 9** - Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3:30 – 7:00 p.m.; PC & PD Preschool is in session.
 -- Kdgn. through 6th Grade Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4 to 7pm.
 -- Bullying Prevention Meeting, 3:45pm, 2B Classroom.
- Feb. 10** - No PA & PB Preschool Classes. Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences, 7:30am to 8:30pm
- Feb. 11** - No PC & PD Preschool Classes. Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences, 7:30am to 8:30pm
 -- July Birthday Mass & Dinner
 -- Kdgn. through 6th Grade Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4 to 7pm.
- Feb. 12** - No School
- Feb. 15** - No School; Teacher Diocesan Renewal
- Feb. 16** - Pancake Race, 2:30 p.m.
 -- ITBS Testing Begins
- **Please continue** to collect Box Tops for Education labels, Campbell Soup Product UPC & Point labels, aluminum cans to recycle, and McDonald receipts from Hays, WaKeeney, Colby, and Russell. We continue to recycle printer cartridges. Thank you so much.



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

- **Feb. 17** - Thomas More Prep-Marian High School will be having High School for a Day from 9am until 1pm, RSVP to KMS or FMS transportation will be provided.
- **Feb. 21** - Incoming Freshman Parent information Night, at 7PM, in the Auditorium
- **TMP-Marian** is honored to welcome Sr. Paul Ann Dinkel to their staff. Sr. Paul Ann represents a fine servant of God and a great role model for our students. She has been a willing vessel for 55 years and now willingly has responded to the request to come and be with us at TMP-Marian. Sr. Paul Ann has helped with food service at a high school in FonDuLac Wisconsin and then worked as the main cook for 14 years at St. John's Assisted Living Center. She is ready for a change of pace and we are happy to welcome her to TMP-Marian.

Dillons Coupons will be available this weekend after all Masses, Feb. 6 & 7.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR FEB. 13 & 14

Saturday, 5:00 P.M.

<u>EM</u>	<u>Proclaimer</u>	<u>Hospitality</u>
Sr. Vivian Kleinsorge	Carolyn Ehr #1	Galen Gottschalk
Andy Beck	Marie Froelich #2	Neil Legleiter
Jo Good		<u>Sacristan</u>
Stan Mayers		Gracemary Melvin
Jeanie Munsch	<u>Altar Servers</u>	
Charlie Munsch	Rachel Muirhead	
Mary Selensky	Erin Muirhead	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
	Raeleann Weigel	Eugene Zimmer

Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Mass

<u>EM</u>	<u>Proclaimer</u>	<u>Hospitality</u>
Joel Dreiling	Connie Grant #1	Ernie Kroeger
Teresa Heimann	Steve Urban #2	
Deb Kraus		<u>Sacristan</u>
Mary Mellick		Paul Kraus
Kevin Splichal	<u>Altar Servers</u>	
Nancy Urban	Braden Splichal	
Ramie Wasinger +	Konnor Splichal	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
Nicholas Zimmerman	Frank Medina	

Sunday, 11:00 A.M. Mass

<u>EM</u>	<u>Proclaimer</u>	<u>Hospitality</u>
Shannon Stauth	Kara Hunziker #1	Wes Leiker
Rose McFarland	Hannah Keil #2	Mike Leiker
Cathy Pfeifer		<u>Sacristan</u>
Galen Pfeifer		Jenni Leiker
Jan Stauth	<u>Altar Servers</u>	
Kathy Taylor	Brett Leiker	
Jorge Vazquez	Emily Leiker	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
	Justin Pfeifer	Les Brown

Help is needed for all ministries for Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17. Sign up sheet will be available in the gathering space. Thank you!!

Schedule for Cup a Joe

--Join us for free coffee cake at Cup a Joe on Sunday, Feb. 7, from 8:30am to noon. Come through the main door of the Parish Service Center and use the inside staircase.



-- **Tuesday, Feb. 16** – Join us as we celebrate Mardi Gras before Lent begins. Bring your favorite game and or movie. We will be running specials on food and drinks this night.

-- **Wednesday, Feb. 17** – Cup a Joe will be closed because it is Ash Wednesday.

-- **Join us for free coffee cake at Cup a Joe** on Sunday, Feb. 21 from 8:30am to noon, for free coffee cake. Come through the main door of the Parish Service Center and use the inside staircase.



Bunko Baby! It's Back!

We will resume our regular Bunko schedule on Thursday Feb. 11, at 2:30pm, in the St. Nicholas of Myra Parish Hall. All are invited for fun, fellowship, and refreshments. Bunko is easy to learn; we will have you up to snuff in five minutes. Everyone has a great time. Bring a family member or friend of any age or faith tradition. For more information call Mark Roberti 259-8779 or Laura Sadeghi 635-3323.

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Bishop Paul Coakley has issued the following prayer to help the Diocese prepare to celebrate *Stewards of Hope: A Pastoral Plan for the Diocese of Salina*. The Plan will be initiated with a joyous celebration for all ages on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), June 6, at Fort Hays State University.

Stewards of Hope

Lord Jesus, we know you are with us always, "until the end of the age."

We, the Catholics of the Diocese of Salina, walk in the footsteps of the pioneers who, in acts of selfless love, built our faith communities on the open plains of Kansas.

We wish now to join hands with our brothers and sisters, and so to strengthen the Body of Christ.

Help us envision and create a hopeful future for our parishes and our diocese.

Guide us and strengthen us.

Bless the work we undertake in service to your divine will.

Help us share one another's burdens and joys, so we may leave a legacy of faith, hope and charity for those who come after us.

Amen.

God's Plan for a Joy Filled Marriage Instructors Training

When: March 19-20

Friday evening: 6pm – Check In; Saturday: 8am to 6pm

Place: Webster Conference Center

2601 N. Ohio St.

Salina, KS 67601

Meals, lodging and training provided by:

Diocesan Family Life Office

Cost of Training Materials \$50.00

For more information, contact parish office at 628-1446.



Traveling Relic Display of Our Lord's Life

& Passion Dale Anderson, from Manhattan, KS will be coming to Sacred Heart in Colby, KS on Feb. 14 and 15th to display some first and second class Saint relics including bones from all 12 of the apostles, a thorn from the crown of thorns, splinter from the original wooden manger,

table cloth of the last supper, St. Valentine relic and more. He will give a 45 minute presentation followed by time for questions and viewing of the relics. Everyone is invited to attend one of these sessions: Feb. 14th at 2:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m., Feb. 15th school presentations at 8:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. For more information contact Laura Krejci, laurakrejci@teacher.com or 785-462-2179



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL has the following holy hours to be filled: Wednesdays at 1am and 3am. Consider adding an hour of prayer before the blessed sacrament as your New Years resolution. You and all humanity will be blessed for your commitment of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. If you can fill one of these hours call Lil at 625-7474 or Bob Feauto at 628-1429.

17th Annual Perpetual Eucharist Adoration Celebration "Coming Home" is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 28, beginning with Mass at 3pm, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, dinner following in the Little Theater. Cost of dinner ticket is \$7.00 per person (children under age 5 free). Sr. John Marie Zwenger, IHM of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary of Wichita will be speaking. The 3pm Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation. RSVP to Lil at 625-7474 by Feb 21, if you want to attend the celebration.

Contact the following people for Dinner Tickets:

Lil Basgall 625-7474

Ramona at St. Nicholas Parish Office

Yvonne & Steve Demuth 628-2172

John at IHM Parish Office

Mary Jane Pfannenstiel 650-3361

Kevin at St. Joseph Parish Center

Bob & Carol Feauto 628-1429

Lorena Flesher 628-3136

TICKET DEADLINE: SUNDAY, FEB 21

THE DAYS AHEAD

- Feb. 7** All American Breakfast, from 7:30am to 12:30pm American Legion, 13th & Canterbury, (Benefits: St. Nicholas Ladies Guild)
- Feb. 9** St. Nicholas Prayer Group Meeting, 1pm -- Stewardship Meeting, 5:30pm
- Feb. 10** Rosary for Family Life, Adoration Chapel, 9pm -- Liturgy Meeting, 5:30pm
- Feb. 11** RCIA Classes, 6:30pm
- Feb. 13** Men of Myra, 7:30am
- Feb. 14** Rosary in the St. Nicholas Chapel, 9am

