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PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASSES

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WEEKEND MASSES:

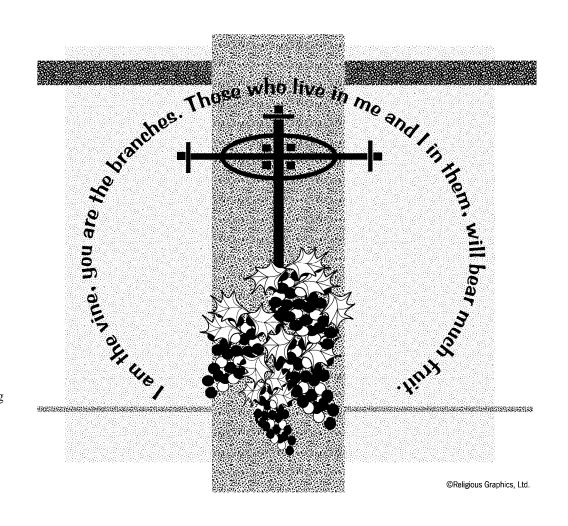
Saturday, 5:30 pm Sunday, 9:00 am

DAILY MASSES: Inside Bulletin

TELEVISED MASS: Thursday, 6:00 pm, Channel 2, Cable TV

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 4:00 pm or by appointment (For Changes In Regular Schedule, See Inside Bulletin)

WHEN TRAVELING: Find Mass times around the country at: www.MassTimes.org



Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2015

"Sing a new song to the Lord!"

FROM THE DESK OF FR. TIM: Thanks to all who helped with the Sacrament of Confirmation last weekend. The Bishop was impressed with the young men and women who were confirmed, he also expressed thanks to the various ministries throughout the celebration. We celebrated his birthday Saturday evening as well. Thank you to all who helped cook, serve and put on the Confirmation meal.

CSC school term will come to an end this week. Congratulations to the 2015 graduates, those receiving their Bachelor degrees and those who are receiving their Masters. Have a safe summer.

This Sunday evening, May 3 at 7 pm Baccalaureate Service for the CHS Senior Class of 2015 will be at CHS Auditorium.

This is Teachers' Appreciation Week. Our teachers for the Chadron Schools deserve a word of gratitude for the work they do in educating our children. When you see a teacher, tell them Thank You!

This past Friday, May 1 was Schools Principal Day. Lou Alcorn, Chadron Primary School; Bill Cogdill, Chadron Intermediate School; Nick Dressel, Chadron Middle School; Jerry Mack, Chadron High School—tell them thank you for the work they do as administrators for the public school systems.

Finally, the picnic for the final day of Faith Formation this past Wednesday was a well attended event!! Thank you parents, kids and all who brought food and worked the games. Thanks to Kaci for her co-coordinating of the event. Most everyone enjoyed themselves. Be safe this summer!

Have a great week!

Liturgical Ministers for May 9-10, 2015

Sat, 5:30 pm:

Sacristan-B Reading

Servers-A Dressel, K Boeselager

Proclaimer-H Loghry

Leader-A Hinman

Euch Min-T Hinman, J Sorenson, M Baehler, J Songco, G Fickel

Greeters-J Abegglen, R Koza, K Koza, K Vahrenkamp

Music-M Allberry-Horn, D Kuskie

Sun, 9:00 am:

Sacristan-D Paris

Servers-C Twarling, G Twarling

Proclaimer-B Bolek

Leader-M Lane

Euch Min-L Jamison, G Klein, N Dobesh, L Mathis, R Horse

Greeters-J Crowe, I Crowe, R Belknap, T Belknap

<u>Crestview</u>-J Wahlstrom

Hosp/Prairie Pines-C Brennan

Music-P Chasek, D Kuskie

Summer Liturgical Ministries—During the summer months, we run especially low on people who are able to serve as Liturgical Ministers. If you are at a Mass that does not have enough people to cover the ministries, please be generous and step forward to fill the gap. Thank you very much!

Gluten-Free Hosts—If you have celiac disease and are required to be on a gluten-free diet, please see Fr. Tim before Mass so a gluten-free host may be consecrated for you at Communion.

Cleaning Schedules

Church Cleaning for Main Sanctuary,

Saturday, May 9 (or whenever convenient during the week): K of C - John Songco, Nick Dobesh, Phil Dobesh

Church Window Cleaning for the month of May:

We have no one scheduled

Sunday Offering: Contributions <u>needed</u> weekly to meet budget: \$6,000 (4-26) Reg: \$2,768.44; Online: \$605.00; Bldg: \$0.00; Children: \$5.00; Dioc Appl: \$200.00; Online Dioc Appl: \$500.00 Thank You for Your Generosity!

Special Offering—Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help *strengthen the Church at home* and will help ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. To learn more about home missions funding and who the appeal helps, please visit *www.usccb.org* and search "Catholic Home Missions."

Prayer Requests

Prayer Line – If you have a prayer request, please call Darlene Yantzi, 432-5432; Mary Baehler, 432-4994.

Next Sunday's Readings ~ 6th Sunday of Easter, May 10, 2015 ~ Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 (God Loves All) 1John 4:7-10 (God Is Love) John 15:9-17 (Love One Another)

Pro Life

"Our culture ... has become hardened to many who cry out. We idolize the strong and beautiful and tend to disregard the weak and imperfect. In our own lives, have we been programmed not to call for help ourselves or to look past those who do?"

 Learning to Cry, Life Issues Forum, December 19, 2014, Tom Grenchik
 USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Birthright

Birthright of Chadron volunteers will be picking up the baby bottles this week. If you forget the bottle today, bring it next week and a volunteer will stop by to pick it up. Our mothers and babies thank you for participating in Birthright of Chadron's 2015 Baby Bottle Campaign.

Luncheon Meeting—The Chadron Christian Connection luncheon meeting will be May 12 at 11:30 am at the Country Kitchen restaurant. Guest speaker will be Liz Sprock from Crawford. The title of her talk is, "A Widow's Journey with Jesus." She recalls how Jesus helped her raise three boys alone. Special music will be by Kim Meier from Chadron. Special feature will be April, from Candy Crab, a new candy store in Chadron. For reservations please contact Darlene at 432-5432 or by email at yantzi@gpcom.net no later than 5 pm Saturday, May 9. Complimentary nursery is available by reservation and first time guests are free.

National Day of Prayer—Thursday, May 7, in the City Council Chambers at City Hall from noon to 1 pm, there will be a National Day of Prayer time. Even 10-15 minutes of participation is appreciated.

Prayer Initiative for Marriage—On April 28, the U. S. Supreme Court began to hear oral arguments on the question of whether or not marriage should be redefined to include same-sex unions. The Court is expected to issue its ruling around the end of June. Please join in a Prayer Initiative for Marriage until the Supreme Court issues its ruling. Initiatives of prayer and fasting have had success in other cultural battles in history and can have a powerful effect in the discernment of the Supreme Court in this case as well. Some resources are: *Prayer for the Supreme Court Justices *Prayer for Marriage

THIS WEEK

7:30 AM—A Biblical Walk Through the Mass Bible Study Sun

9:00 AM—Mass [Parish Staff] 10:00 AM—Fund raising meeting 10:30 AM—Confirmation mission class

2:00 PM—Knights' Highway Cleanup, meet at the Arena

7:00 PM—Baccalaureate, CHS auditorium

Mon No Mass

8:00 PM – AA (closed), in the parish center

Tue 5:30 PM—Mass [+Myrtle Johnson]

7:30 AM—Mass [+Sheldon & +Betty Snelson] Wed

6:00 PM—Catechist Appreciation Dinner

Thu 7:30 AM—Mass [Masek Family]

Communion calls to shut-ins

12:00 PM—National Day of Prayer services, City Hall

8:00 PM – AA (open), in the parish center

7:30AM—Mass [+Sandy Sauser] Fri

Sat 4-4:30 PM—Reconciliation

5:30 PM—Mass [+James "Jim" Anderson] 8:00 PM—AA (open), in the parish center

Sun 7:30 AM—A Biblical Walk Through the Mass Bible Study

9:00 AM—Senior Mass [Parishioners]

Knights of Columbus News

Attention 3rd degree Knights of Columbus members—Sidney will be hosting a 4th degree initiation on Saturday, May 23. You will not be required to have a tux at this time, just a black suit. Once initiated a tux will be required for any color guard functions. A meal will be provided following the Mass. Wives are also welcome If you are interested please contact Jim Gardner (430-2870) for more information.

Highway Cleanup—We have scheduled our semi-annual highway cleanup for Sunday, May 3 at 2 pm. We will meet at the Assumption Arena and then carpool out to our road site. Please consider participating in this important project in helping to keep our environment clean. Total project takes about an hour and a half.

Attention 4th degree honor guard members—We have been invited to participate in the honor guard for the ordination of Dan Gilbert to the order of Deacon. This special event will be on May 22 at 5 pm at St. Agnes church in Scottsbluff. RSVP's are due May 1 so if you are interested in participating in the honor guard and attending the meal after Mass, please contact Jim Gardner.

- Sunday, May 3, 4th Degree Knights for Rushville Confirmation, Rushville, 10 am
- Sunday, May 3, KC Highway Cleanup. Meet at Assumption Arena, 2 pm
- Sunday, May 10, 4th Degree Knights for Chadron High School Graduation Mass, 9 am
- No regular meeting scheduled for May
- Sunday, June 14, Regular meeting, 6 pm. Election of Officers
- Sunday, July 12, Regular meeting, 6 pm

Baccalaureate—The annual Chadron High School Baccalaureate Service will be held on Sunday, May 3 at 7 pm in the High School Auditorium. This is a service honoring our 2015 graduates. A reception will follow the service. The service is open to the public at no charge.

Volunteers needed

The Bread Basket Program is in need of volunteer(s) to pick up donations from Safeway every Tuesday morning at 8:00. If anyone else would like to volunteer as a sub as well, call Charlotte, 432-4041

Religious Formation News

The "End of the Year Picnic" was held on Wednesday night. What a great turn out. Thank you to all who provided food and drinks. A special thanks to all who helped clean up afterward. This Faith Formation year was amazing. Thank you for your support.

A parent meeting will be held for the parents of all current 10th grade students on the 13th of May at 6 pm in the media room of the Parish Center. We will be going over requirements for the Confirmation program in the fall. Please attend with your child.

Fund raising efforts have begun for all students who are interested in attending The National Catholic Youth Conference in November and Higher Ground retreats this summer. Contac Kaci for more details or visit the Diocesan website www.youthgidiocese.org. I am also in need of parents to help coordinate and run fund raisers. A short meeting will be held on May 3 following the 9 am Mass. We will meet in the media room of the Parish Center.

The final Confirmation class will be held on May 3 at 10:30 in the media room. I look forward to seeing you there.

Sponsor a Student sheets are available in the gathering area. Please take a look at students and sponsors and give prayerful consideration to sponsoring a youth or a sponsor so that they may attend a faith-filled event this summer or next fall. Your support is greatly appreciated. You may also sponsor a student or donate online at www.stpatsfaith.weebly.com.

The Catechist and Faith Formation Volunteer Appreciation dinner will be held May 6 at 6 pm in the banquet room of the Country Kitchen. Be sure to RSVP with Kaci at the church office or leave a message with Charla at the office if you plan on attending, 432-2626.

A **Religious Education Board** meeting will be held May 12 at 6:30 pm in the media room of the parish center.

High school seniors and parents: All seniors will be recognized at the 9 am Mass on Sunday, May 10.

Parish Health Notes—It is estimated that 68% of adolescents, 30% of adults and 18% of children under the age of 10 consume energy drinks. Increasing consumption of energy drinks has caused an increase in adverse health effects. A report from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) revealed that the number of emergency department visits involving energy drinks doubled between 2007 and 2011, from 10,068 visits to 20,783. Getting a lot of caffeine all at once along with potentially harmful mega doses of vitamins is a bad way to go, and there is real potential for misuse. In addition, people who mix energy drinks and alcohol are more likely to engage in risky behavior because it makes them feel or act alert while they are mentally compromised. Getting caffeine gradually from coffee or tea is a more healthful way to go. Of course, eating properly, getting more sleep and regular exercise are the best solutions to feeling more energized.

A Reminder

Please remember to report any changes in your status, such as name, address, etc. to the parish office. Your consideration will



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One Minute Meditations

St. Joseph the Worker

Our primary responsibility is to fulfill our daily obligations.

Yet, St. Joseph
demonstrated that
work can lead to
holiness if our
efforts are for
God.

St. Joseph was not rich. He and Mary made a modest Temple offering when Jesus was born. As a carpenter he had to work hard to support his family. Yet, he offered all he was to raise God's son and protect him from harm. St. Joseph made everyday life holy.

Upward glance

Try spending part of each day alone with God. Human conversation keeps you grounded on Earth. Moments spent with God are moments glancing toward the Heaven that awaits.

"When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, 'Woman, behold, your son!' Then he said to the disciple, 'Behold, your mother!' And

from that hour the disciple took her to his own home" (John 19:26-26).



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Whom do you want to please?

It is human nature to want the good opinion of other people. Toddlers and children seek parents' approval as a measure of their growth. Teens want approval from peers, coaches, teachers, colleges. As adults, though, it's important to shake off the habit of trying to please or impress others when God's opinion is what matters in the end. "Am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? Or am

I trying to

please men?" (Galatians 1:10).

Whose standard is it anyway? Others tend to judge you from their own perspectives, their own interests, and through their own filters. People see only your actions. God sees your heart.

Don't defend yourself. Make consistently good choices and you won't have to defend or explain. Regularly read Scripture to remember how to please God. Follow the Commandments and the Beatitudes. If people legitimately criticize you, gratefully receive their feedback. Reject the backbiters.

Be your own master. Don't let an employer, a friend, or a relative gain too strong of a hold on you. Make your own decisions and choices without pressure.

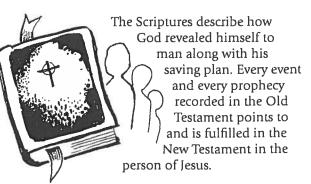
Otherwise you will find yourself suspending your better judgment in favor of theirs.

Stay who you are. Don't try to appear better than those around you or to hide the real you. God loves you just as you are.

Why Do Catholics Do That

Why do we believe Scripture is Sacred?

The Church calls Sacred Scripture "sacred" because it is divinely inspired by God, and credits him as its author. "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16).



Where is God when you need him?

God can be found one hundred times every day if we look for him. "So it was you all along. Everyone I ever loved, it was you. Everything decent or fine that ever happened to me, everything that made me reach out and try to be better, it was you" C.S. Lewis.

When you need encouragement, God sends you a kind glance or a friendly word. Look for his face in the person who gives it.

God surrounds us with beauty to help us think of him and remind us of his love for us.

Don't miss the chance to appreciate a lovely garden or a mighty tree.

When you are anxious or lonely, God comes to you in the sympathetic friend who listens, or the stranger who smiles at you.

When we are on unfamiliar ground, God sends us a colleague to make us feel comfortable at work or a neighbor to help us feel more at home.

Where is God when you need him? He is everywhere you are.



Matthew 28:16-20; Jesus gives disciples their charge

When Jesus appeared to the Eleven on the mountain top in Galilee, it was so the crowd with them could witness his Resurrection and get instructions

for next steps. Now that they had been taught and witnessed Jesus' glory, he wanted them / to teach others how to live as God's children.

As his followers today, that's our mission, too.

Jesus gave his listeners three commands: Go, make disciples of all nations, and baptize them. Baptism signifies a renewed relationship with

the Father, as revealed through the Son, to be filled with the Holy Spirit – in other words, the Holy Trinity.

The Trinity is a mystery most of us will never understand. We don't have to understand it to believe it. And we affirm it each time we make the Sign of the Cross and say the words Jesus said, "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the

Holy Spirit." We are also reminded that the Cross of Jesus is the only means by which we can follow Christ into the eternal life of the Trinity.

Feasts & 🗱 💿 Celebrations

In May we celebrate mothers and the mother of all, the Blessed Virgin Mary. We can honor her by praying the Rosary and observing her feast days.

May 14 – Ascension of the Lord. This Holy Day of Obligation marks the completion of Jesus' mission of salvation and his triumphant entry into Heaven by his own power. Note: In some dioceses, observance has been moved to the following Sunday.

May 21 – St. Christopher Magallanes (1937). Fr. Christopher Magallanes was part of the Catholic Action Movement

in Mexico, resisting the anti-Catholic Mexican government. Despite great persecution, he established a seminary at Totatiche. Eventually, he was arrested, tortured, and martyred.

May 25 – Pope St. Gregory VII (1085). During dark days for the Church, Pope Gregory worked to eliminate simony (the buying and selling of sacred offices), unlawful marriages of the clergy, and lay investiture (kings and nobles appointing Church officials). St.

Gregory fought attacks on the authority of the Church. For this he suffered and died in exile.



Q & A

Why do Catholic churches display crucifixes?

Many Christian churches display simple crosses or other peaceful symbols of their faith. Non-Catholics wonder why we choose instead the crucifix, which can be a disturbing image.

The crucifix is not just part of our Catholic identity. The Catholic Church requires that a crucifix be visible during the celebration of Mass to remind us of the sacrifice of Jesus on the altar of the Cross, which is made present for us each time we celebrate the Holy Eucharist. It is a powerful representation of the body and blood Jesus shed for us.

To Catholics, the crucifix is a symbol of the ultimate act of love. A cross recalls the Resurrection and Jesus' triumph over death. That is important to us, too. But to fully understand our own redemption, we need to be reminded of what Jesus had to endure, namely his Passion and death, before the Resurrection. We are also reminded that God gave his only Son for our salvation. The Crucifix is a full image of our redemption.

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SUMMARY - ST. PATRICKS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - 4-19-15

OPENING: The Parish Council met on the above date with Fr. Tim and 8 members present. The minutes of the March 22, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved by consensus.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

- A. Diocesan Appeal The status of the appeal as of April 12 was given.
- B. Parish Web site The webmaster continues to update the web pages.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

- A. Religious Education Classes will end on April 29th. A final dinner will be held May 6. A board meeting will be held at a later date.
 - B. Liturgy Committee There has been no meeting.
- C. Hospitality/Welcoming Committee Sixty-four parishioners attended the recent potluck dinner. A going away recognition was given to Bill Cebula to thank him for his contributions to the Parish during his time in Chadron.
 - D. Building and Grounds The committee will meet quarterly on a Tuesday.
- 1. Estimates for heat tape for ice areas on the church roof have not been received.
 - 2. Estimate for wiring remainder of Arena the bid has not been received yet.
 - 3. Presentation to Parish on needed projects/repairs the material is almost

ready

to give to the Parish.

4. Vinyl film for east doors of church – a bid of \$249 was received and was

This film will reduce the glare from the sun.

5. Kitchen floor – a leak in the dishwasher damaged a number of floor tiles.

These have

accepted.

Been replaced.

- E. Newman House The year is rapidly coming to an end. One graduation party will be held at the house. The house will close for the summer on May 09. The Bishop will make his annual visit in the fall.
 - F. Financial Statements All statements were reviewed and approved by consensus.
- G. Evangelization Committee This group will be reactivated in the fall with monthly meetings. The 7th Day Adventist pastor is now part of the group. Preparations for the High School Baccalaureate are underway.
- H. Hospital/Prairie Pines/Crestview One Eucharistic Minister has dropped from active to a substitute basis.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Nominating Committee a slate of 11 names was submitted from parishioners who have agreed to be candidates for council selection. Three names will be drawn on the 3rd Sunday of June.
- B. Arena Policy Review John Crowe presented changes and updates to the policy for use of the Arena and Kitchen. The council will hold a final review at the May meeting prior to its adoption.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Review of Funeral Policy

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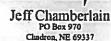
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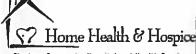


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