



APRIL 12, 2026

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



Pastor:

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Parish Office:

Wed. 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
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620-475-3326
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Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:30 am
Wed., Thurs., & Fri. - 7:15 am
Rosary at 4:35 pm Saturdays & 8:05 am Sundays

Confessions:

Wed., Thurs., & Fri. - 6:30-7:00 am
Saturday - 3:30-4:30 pm
Upon Request

Adoration:

Wednesdays: 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

Other Sacraments:

Contact Parish Office

Parish Contacts:

Funeral Dinners: Linda Dieker (620) 475-3567
Cemetery: Steve Redeker (620) 475-3255
K of C: Danny Schneider (620) 794-5889
Outreach: Arlene Redeker (620) 475-3414
Finance Council: Kevin Flott (620) 412-3275
Pastoral Council: Kim Irwin (620) 475-3295
Religious Ed: Lindsey Ratcliff (214) 732-3813
St. Joseph School Endowment:
Michael Ratcliff (620) 490-0388

Sacristan 04/13/26 - 04/19/26

Michael Dieker

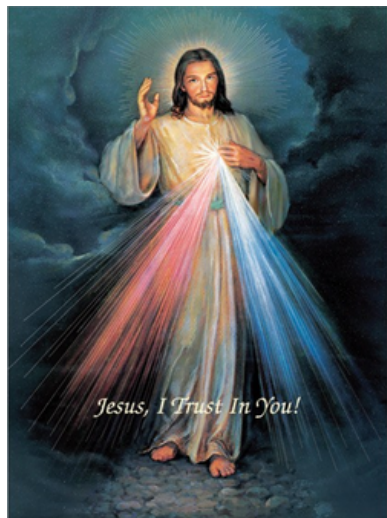
Weekend Servers

04/11: Brylee Johnson, Daniel Coughlin
04/12: Chloe Arndt, Thomas Arnold,
Cooper Barnhart
04/18: Maylee & Daylen Ballinger
04/19: John Musick, Maren Ratcliff, Aiden
Dreier
04/25: Lilly Lienemann, Raylon Ratcliff
04/26: Augusta, Sawyer, & Bryer McGee

A reminder that if your child is unable to serve as scheduled, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Weekend Lectors/EMHCs

04/11: LeAnn Eberle
04/12: Dan Schneider
04/18: Carolyn Cole
04/19: Donna Bolen
04/25: Jana Redeker
04/26: Cass Coughlin



St. Joseph Prayer List

Collins Baldwin
Linda Barnard
Maya Bishop
Jeanette Reed Copeland
Donna Dains
Vicki Dickson
Kauffman Dieker
Norman Geiger
Susan Haag
Sylvia Haag
Darren Heins
Kenneth Langley
Debbie Markowitz
Brian Martin
Sylvia Miller
Jenna Moyer
Shea Mueting
James Nunley
Twyla Owen
Olivia Pimpl
Mrs. Ken Redeker
Norma Redeker
Ken Schade
Richard Scheve
Danny Schmidt
Jackie Schmidt
Greg Schonhardt
Audra Steen
Mike Wecker
Clara Young

United States Army:

SGM Matthew S. Richter
Sgt. Austin Burenheide
Grant Fath
Major Jacob Haag

Navy:

Grace Coughlin

Air Force:

Megan DePauw

Army National Guard:

Sgt. Mason Harmon

Mass Intentions:

- Sat. 04/11: 8:00 pm +Herb & Lorene Haag and +Alfred Redeker
- Sun. 04/12: 8:30 am For the Parish
- Wed. 04/15: 7:15 am +Arthur Didde
- Thurs. 04/16: 7:15 am +Louis & Bertha Trear
- Fri. 04/17: 7:15 am +Paul & Helen Richard
- Sat. 04/18: 5:00 pm +Charles Lutz
- Sun. 04/19: 8:30 am For the Parish

Last Week's Collection:

Envelopes (42)	\$ 2,253.00
Plate	731.50
Rice Bowls (Holy Thursday)	591.34
Holy Land (Good Friday)	394.00
Priesthood Present and Future	20.00
Capital Improvements	110.00
Social Support	70.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,169.84



Knights' News



Our next biscuits and gravy breakfast will be served **THIS** Sunday, April 12th from 7:30-10:00 am. Please come join us!

The April meeting will be held **this** Wednesday, April 15th, at 7:00. Another degree ceremony will also be that evening.

Sincerely,
- Danny Schneider,
 Grand Knight

Congratulations

March Winners of the Parish Life Center Lottery

03/01	Grace Nunley	\$25
03/02	Cassie Dieker	\$25
03/03	Ray Schurman	\$25
03/04	Rose Redeker	\$25
03/05	Spencer Martin	\$25
03/06	Henrick Schmidt	\$25
03/07	Jamie Schmidt	\$25
03/08	Kash McVey	\$25
03/09	Henley Tovar	\$25
03/10	Chris Stemler	\$25
03/11	Henry Ochs	\$25
03/12	Jim & Donna Russell	\$25
03/13	Ethan Redeker	\$25
03/14	John Blaufuss, Jr.	\$25
03/15	Dorothy Blaufuss	\$25
03/16	Ruth Finnegan	\$25
03/17	Charlie Haag	\$25
03/18	Mike & Marie Guion	\$25
03/19 - Feast of St. Joseph	Liz Doyle	\$750
03/20	Lucas Blankley	\$25
03/21	Peggy Wendling	\$25
03/22	Dusty Redeker	\$25
03/23	Gradey Pimple	\$25
03/24	Gilbert Solis	\$25
03/25	Courtney Sleezer	\$25
03/26	Chris Schmidt	\$25
03/27	Carol Taylor	\$25
03/28	Chris Schmidt	\$25
03/29	Eric Schreiner	\$25
03/30	Gus McIntyre	\$25
03/31	Rose Redeker	\$25

CCD News

April 29th will be the last night of CCD classes.

June 7-12, 2026

Registration forms will be available within the week.

Grades 1-6

Mon-Fri 9am-3pm
 @Sacred Heart

Join us for a fun and faith-filled week! Learn about the Commandments and the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary while growing in your relationship with the Lord.

Grades 7-12

Sun-Thur 6:30-8:45pm
 @St. Joseph
 Dinner provided



Donut Sunday

Next Sunday, April 18th, donuts and beverages will be served in the Parish Life Center following Mass. Please plan to attend.



Walking with Moms In Need Sponsors Shiloh House of Hope

The Lenten season has passed and we want you to know what we accomplished during Lent, thanks to your help! Our parishioners donated 950 diapers and many, many wipes for the pregnancy center. The Knights of Columbus and other parishioners supported our ministry with \$300 in donations. The Bingo and meal held at Sacred Heart yielded \$500+ to aid parents at the center. St. Joseph Parish did a WONDERFUL job supporting others in need. What a beautiful Lenten season! THANK YOU! *WWMIN Ministry*

Thanks For Your Support

Thank you for letting me serve as the Family Life Ministry Coordinator the past 8 years! I have decided to step back as Coordinator and be silent, listen, and discern what God has in store for me. I have enjoyed working on our many events together, and look forward to helping at future parish events with you.

Sincerely,
Kay Schmidt

SPRING PICNIC

Sunday, April 26th

4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Life Center

Our parish spring picnic is only 2 weeks away! Pulled pork sandwiches and baked beans are being provided. What can you do??

- Show up for a great time together
- Bring a side dish (veggies, salads, etc.) or a dessert to share.
- Bring your favorite yard games and some lawn chairs.

We are seeking volunteers to help set up tables and chairs outside the PLC after Mass that Sunday morning. You may also bring your food and/or games at that time if it is more convenient for you. If you would like to donate ingredients or \$ for the baked beans, please call or text 620-475-3420 or email office@sjolpe.org to find out what items are still needed.

GARAGE SALE

SALE

AT THE RECTORY

Saturday, April 25th
all day long

You decide the prices!



Pro Life Event

Saturday, April 18, 2026 - 9:00 am - 6:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Emporia there will be a Pro Life Display - check out the aftermathks.com website for more information.

OLPE COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY

Wednesday
April 29
2026

Sponsored by:
Olpe FACS
Classes
and
OHS Key Club



To Be Put on the List Please Contact:

Jenny Schmidt at
jeschmidt@usd252.org

Megan McGuire at
mmcguire@usd252.org

Or Call the School at 620-475-3223

Congratulations

to the newest members of our Church and our Parish family!



Everly Dreier, Parker Haney, and Charlotte Haney received the Sacrament of Baptism

Samantha Barnhart, Brandon Haney, Morgan Haney, Oliver Haney, and Libby Hoelting Received all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and the Most Holy Eucharist)

Be sure to welcome them when you see them around!



Father's Corner



From a sermon by Saint Augustine, bishop

(Sermo 8 in octava Paschae 1, 4: PL 46, 838, 841)

A new creation in Christ

I speak to you who have just been reborn in baptism, my little children in Christ, you who are the new offspring of the Church, gift of the Father, proof of Mother Church's fruitfulness. All of you who stand fast in the Lord are a holy seed, a new colony of bees, the very flower of our ministry and fruit of our toil, my joy and my crown. It is the words of the Apostle that I address to you: *Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh and its desires*, so that you may be clothed with the life of him whom you have put on in this sacrament. *You have all been clothed with Christ by your baptism in him. There is neither Jew nor Greek; there is neither slave nor freeman; there is neither male nor female; you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

Such is the power of this sacrament: it is a sacrament of new life which begins here and now with the forgiveness of all past sins, and will be brought to completion in the resurrection of the dead. *You have been buried with Christ by baptism into death in order that, as Christ has risen from the dead, you also may walk in newness of life.*

You are walking now by faith, still on pilgrimage in a mortal body away from the Lord; but he to whom your steps are directed is himself the sure and certain way for you: Jesus Christ, who for our sake became man. For all who fear him he has stored up abundant happiness, which he will reveal to those who hope in him, bringing it to completion when we have attained the reality which even now we possess in hope.

This is the octave day of your new birth. Today is fulfilled in you the sign of faith that was prefigured in the Old Testament by the circumcision of the flesh on the eighth day after birth. When the Lord rose from the dead, he put off the mortality of the flesh; his risen body was still the same body, but it was no longer subject to death. By his resurrection he consecrated Sunday, or the Lord's day. Though the third after his passion, this day is the eighth after the Sabbath, and thus also the first day of the week.

And so your own hope of resurrection, though not yet realised, is sure and certain, because you have received the sacrament or sign of this reality, and have been given the pledge of the Spirit. *If, then, you have risen with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your hearts on heavenly things, not the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, your life, appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.*



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