



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

BULLETIN

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Pastor:

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Parish Office:

Wed. 9:00 am - Noon; 2:00 - 8:00 pm
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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
Tues - 5:00-5:30 pm (St. Catherine)
Thurs - 5:00-5:30 pm; 6:00-7:00 pm (St. Catherine)

Adoration:

Wednesdays: 8:00 am - 6:00 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

Sacristan 09/07/26 - 09/13/26

Phyllis Krueger

Weekend Servers

09/05: Alisa Skalsky, Tripp Gasche
09/06: Taitlyn Cole, Rynlea Heins,
Amber Soyez
09/12: Caroline & Cody Traffenstedt
09/13: Adriana, Lydia, & Bryce Weeden
09/19: Caydence & Griff Studer
09/20: Rowan & Maybelle Krueger,
Sarah Soyez
09/26: Brylee Johnson, Daniel Coughlin
09/27: Chloe Arndt, Bexley Smith,
Cooper Banhart

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

09/05: Carolyn Cole
09/06: Shirley Langley
Barb Kuhlmann - EMHC
09/12: Jana Redeker
09/13: Danny Schneider
09/19: Donna Bolen
09/20: Cass Coughlin
09/26: Jana Redeker
09/27: Greg Markowitz
Trish Markowitz - EMHC

Gift Bearers

09/05: Joe & Carolyn Cole Family
09/06: Willie & Courtney Ward Family
09/12: Dave & Debbie Cole
09/13: Rusty Wright & Viola Hoelting
09/19: Dave & Karen Kehres
09/20: Michael & Carol Soyez Family
09/26: Doug & Laurie Schmidt
09/27: Wade & Hannah Schmidt Family

St. Joseph Prayer List

Collins Baldwin	Jaxson Markowitz
Linda Barnard	Brian Martin
Maya Bishop	Sylvia Miller
Danny Broyles	Jenna Moyer
Sheila Broyles	Shea Mueting
Jeanette Reed	James Nunley
Copeland	Olivia Pimpl
Donna Dains	Mrs. Ken Redeker
Vicki Dickson	Norma Redeker
Kauffman Dieker	Ken Schade
Sherry	Richard Scheve
Elmenhorst	Danny Schmidt
LeAnn Eberle	Jackie Schmidt
Norman Geiger	Greg Schonhardt
Susan Haag	Vicki Stark
Sylvia Haag	Audra Steen
Darren Heins	Carl Lee Stueve
Delores Heins	Carol Taylor
Kenneth Langley	John Waner
Daniel Markowitz	Mike Wecker
Debbie Markowitz	Clara Young



United States Army:

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

Navy:

Grace Coughlin

Air Force:

Megan DePauw
Brayden Lienemann

Army National Guard:

Sgt. Mason Harmon

Mass Intentions:

Sat.	09/05:	5:00 pm	+Clarence & Dorothy Schmidt
Sun.	09/06:	8:30 am	For the Parish
Wed.	09/09:	7:15 am	+Fred & Helen Windle
Thurs.	09/10:	7:15 am	Special intention for Danny & Sheila Broyles
Fri.	09/11:	7:15 am	+Duane Schmidt
Sat.	09/12:	5:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun.	09/13:	8:30 am	+Louis & Bertha Trear



Knights' News



NEXT WEEKEND, Sunday, September 13th, we will be serving our hot biscuits and gravy breakfast at the Knights' Hall. We invite you to join us for good food and great fellowship.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 16th.

Sincerely,
~ Danny Schneider, Grand Knight

CCD News

A BIG THANK YOU to all the parents and students who attended opening night of CCD. It was great to see such a large turn out. If you have not yet registered, please contact Lindsey Ratcliff at (214) 732-3813 or the parish office at (620) 475-3326.

And we could not do it without our wonderful teachers!

THANK YOU to the following who have volunteered to teach religious education classes this year:

1st grade – Jessica Galindo
2nd grade – Kay Schmidt and Laurie Schmidt
3rd/4th grades – Jess Rogers & Val Studer
5th/6th grades – Brandon & Morgan Haney
Confirmation Students – Ryan Arnold
High School – Amanda Arndt, Cass Coughlin, Lindsey & Michael Ratcliff

It's going to be another GREAT year!

Last Week's Collections:

08/29-30/2026:

Envelopes (27)	\$ 1,220.00
Plate	364.00
Capital Improvements (1)	25.00
BBQ (1)	50.00
Masses	50.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,709.00

Congratulations

August Winners of the Parish Life Center Lottery

08/01	Dell Jacob	\$25
08/02	Trey Stead	\$25
08/03	Bobby Johnson	\$25
08/04	Blake Skalsky	\$25
08/05	Samantha Barnhart	\$25
08/06	Meg McGee	\$25
08/07	Andon Temeyer	\$25
08/08	Oakley Carlson	\$25
08/09	Kelsi Coble	\$25
08/10	Carol Soyez	\$25
08/11	Janell Blaufuss-Schneider	\$25
08/12	Owen Coble	\$25
08/13	Lily Hayes	\$25
08/14	Carter Coble	\$25
08/15 - Feast of the Assumption of Mary	Chris Krueger	\$50
08/16	Megan Barnhart	\$25
08/17	John Musick	\$25
08/18	Bob Barnhart	\$25
08/19	Carolyn Cole	\$25
08/20	Gradey Pimple	\$25
08/21	Anna Radwanski	\$25
08/22	Lisa Blaufuss-Blow	\$25
08/23	Cohen Nuessen	\$25
08/24	Frankie Davis Murray	\$25
08/25	Kathy Coble	\$25
08/26	Clint Barnhart	\$25
08/27	Cassie Dieker	\$25
08/28	Sullivan Schneider	\$25
08/29	Amanda Arndt	\$25
08/30	Kyle Barnhart	\$25
08/31	John & Deb Kuhlmann	\$25

THANK YOU

This summer we've done some deep cleaning and we are **so grateful** to those who showed up to help keep our buildings looking good.

In June, the following ladies gave the rectory a good cleaning: Michelle Barnhart, Lisa Cole, Kim Irwin, Shirley Langley, Barb Kuhlmann, Diana Kuhlmann, Elaine Musick, Sally Pargman, and Lynnette Schreiner.

This last week, the Parish Life Center received a wall-to-wall, floor-to-ceiling cleaning and refresh thanks to: Michelle & Megan Barnhart, Dorothy Blaufuss, Lisa Brinkman, Debbie Cole, Cass & Daniel Coughlin, Ty Gasche, Mike & Kim Irwin, Joe & Melanie Kerwin, Steve & Diana Kuhlmann, Shirley Langley, Meg, Grace, & Augusta McGee, Machele Nuessen, Lynnette Schreiner, and Derek Temeyer.



Thanks so very much to all who contributed in ANY way to the 56th annual BBQ for our Parish Religious Ed and Family Life Programs! Tickets are sold, food/supplies are purchased, auction items are ready and all we have to do now is PRAY for good weather and finish final preparations on Sunday.

PLEASE check the worklist; and if you CAN NOT work, please find a replacement and call Kathy Orear ASAP! Thank you!

We have great auction items! If you cannot attend the BBQ but are interested in any of these items, please contact a friend or someone you know that could bid for you!

½ beef, 2 ea. loads of washed gravel, Quilt, golf package for four, bourbon tasting for 8, wine tasting for 10, 60# beef bundle

You DO need to be present for the 50/50 raffle.



RETURNS

September 20th

A DAY FOR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF ALL AGES

- Giant Inflatables
- Climbing Tower
- Hiking Trails
- Gaga Ball
- Kayaking
- Giant Bubbles
- Holy Mass
- Family Adoration Experience
- Archery



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**FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT SHILOH
OUR LOCAL PREGNANCY CENTER
AND HOME FOR WOMEN & CHILDREN IN CRISIS**

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*** homemade goodie prizes ***



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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 6:30 - 8:00
SACRED HEART CHURCH PARISH HALL
101 COTTONWOOD, EMPORIA, KS



Father's Corner



From a sermon on the beatitudes by Saint Leo the Great, pope
(Sermo 95, 6-8: PL 54, 464-465)

Christian wisdom

The Lord then goes on to say: *Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.* This hunger is not for any bodily food, this thirst is not for any earthly drink: it is a longing to be blessed with righteousness, and by penetrating the secret of all mysteries, to be filled with the Lord himself.

Happy is the soul that longs for the food of righteousness and thirsts for this kind of drink; it would not seek such things if it had not already savored their delight. When the soul hears the voice of the Spirit saying to it through the prophet: Taste and see that the Lord is good, it has already received a portion of God's goodness, and is on fire with love, the love that gives joy of the utmost purity. It counts as nothing all that belongs to time; it is entirely consumed with desire to eat and drink the food of righteousness. The soul lays hold of the true meaning of the first and great commandment: You shall love the Lord God with your whole heart, and your whole mind and your whole strength, for to love God is nothing else than to love righteousness.

Finally, just as concern for one's neighbor is added to love of God, so the virtue of mercy is added to the desire for righteousness, as it is said: Blessed are the merciful, for God will be merciful to them.

Remember, Christian, the surpassing worth of the wisdom that is yours. Bear in mind the kind of school in which you are to learn your skills, the rewards to which you are called. Mercy itself wishes you to be merciful, righteousness itself wishes you to be righteous, so that the Creator may shine forth in his creature, and the image of God to be reflected in the mirror of the human heart as it imitates his qualities. The faith of those who live their faith is a serene faith. What you long for will be given you; what you love will be yours for ever.

Since it is by giving alms that everything is pure for you, you will also receive that blessing which is promised next by the Lord: Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God. Dear friends, great is the happiness of those for whom such a reward is prepared. Who are the clean of heart if not those who strive for those virtues we have mentioned above? What mind can conceive, what words can express the great happiness of seeing God? Yet human nature will achieve this when it has been transformed so that it sees the Godhead no longer in a mirror or obscurely but face to face - the Godhead that no man has been able to see. In the inexpressible joy of this eternal vision, human nature will possess what eye has not seen or ear heard, what man's heart has never conceived.



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