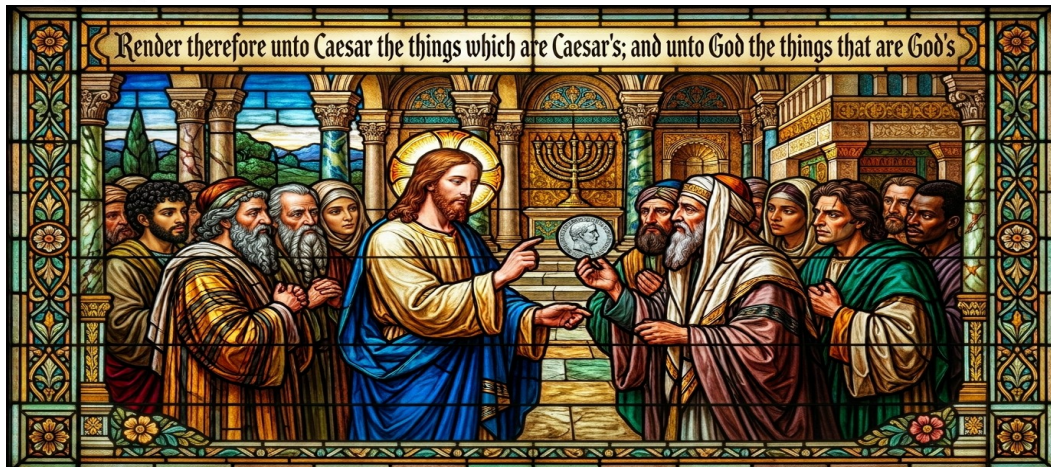




Jackson County Catholic Community



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 18th, 2026

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

The trap that Jesus faces in today's gospel was social and theological in nature. It aimed to discredit Him or possibly establish grounds to accuse Him. The scene begins with disingenuous praise for being a teacher who regarded truth over opinions or status. His adversaries quickly show the falseness of their flattery by asking what His opinion is on a contentious matter. If their desire to know His opinion was genuine, they would be directly rejecting Jesus' exclusive regard for truth over opinion.

After the false flattery comes their puzzle: Is it lawful to pay the Roman census tax or not? The problem seemingly binds Jesus. To reject the tax would, by extension, reject Roman imperial authority. Doing so may have been consonant with Jesus' rigorous interpretation of Torah seen elsewhere in Matthew and simultaneously appeased the crowds who followed Him. But it would have also meant an overt political threat, which, if reported to Roman authorities, could have brought reprisals upon Jesus and His followers. Alternatively, He could affirm the tax and thereby endorse the Romans and their oppressive policies against the Jewish people. This, however, ran counter to the freedom promised by God to the people and would have angered Jesus' followers, who likely resented their Roman overlords.

Seeing the insincerity of the test, Jesus rejects its logic. The coin used for paying the tax came from Caesar. So, it should return there. At the same time, Jesus shows the value of the same logic when applied to one's relationship with God. Rendering unto God what is God's relativized Caesar and the Romans to a still higher authority: God.

~ Eric J. Wagner, CR

TODAY'S READINGS:

Reading I: Isaiah 45:1,4-6

Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

Saint Dominic Church
416 Ohio Avenue Holton

Mass Times:
5:30 pm Wednesday & Saturday
8:30 am Friday
10:30 am Sunday

St. Francis Xavier Church
301 E. James Street Mayetta

Mass Times:
8:30 am Tuesday & Thursday
8:30 am Sunday

Our Lady of Snows Shrine
5971 166th Road Mayetta

Mass Times:
1:00 pm 1st Sunday of the month
8:30 am other Sundays

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Kenyon Moran (St. D)

Vera Rioux (St. FX)

CONFESSION Schedule:

Weekdays, Wednesday @ St. Dominic

following 5:30 pm Mass

Weekends, 30 minutes prior to Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

6:00 pm Wednesday @ St. Dominic

BAPTISM: Those requesting baptism for their children need to be registered parishioners. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents prior to event.

MARRIAGE: Preparation begins with initial consult with parish priest. Please allow at least six months notice to fulfill the Archdiocesan marriage requirements.

ANointing of the SICK: Call the office during business hours. Call the rectory after hours or for emergencies.

DECLARATION of NULLITY:

Please email the pastor for details.

HOSPITAL VISITS: Please call the parish office if you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please fill out registration forms located at the entrance of the church. Submit it to the parish office.

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS: Please notify us of any changes in address or contact number.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: next week

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 24th & 25th	Sat. 10/24 @ 5:30pm SD	Sun. 10/25 @ 8:30 am SFX	Sun. 10/25 @ 10:30 am SD
SACRISTAN	Lori Sohn	Joann Walker	Darrin Reith
MUSIC	Cody Utz	Andrea Bailey Patricia Goering & Alysse Berns	Leigha Sweet Jenea Chartier
LECTOR	Jean Lierz	Ruth Slocum	Mike Tanking
GREETER- USHER	Rick & Katie Heinen	Larry & Jolene Larkin	Lee & Pam Doyle
EMHC	D'Ann Decker	Mike Henry	Jenny Lancaster
Acolytes		Dalton Cole Charlii Brown & Maddie Everts	Nick & Zack Rioux, Kyla Tanking Calvin Henry & Colby Grisell
Homebound Communion Ministers: Louise Tanking (<i>St. Dominic</i>), Marceta Reilly (<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>), and Angie Reith (<i>Nursing Homes</i>)			

CALENDAR of EVENTS

October 19th, Monday Parish Office is Closed 6:30 p.m. Rosary Fellowship	St. Dominic Hall
October 20th, Tuesday 8:30 a.m. MASS 6:00 p.m. OCIA	St. Francis Xavier FIAT Room
October 21st, Wednesday 5:30 p.m. MASS 6:00 p.m. Adoration or Confession 6:30 p.m. Religious Ed.	St. Dominic St. Dominic St. Dominic Hall
October 22nd, Thursday 8:30 a.m. MASS	St. Francis Xavier
October 23rd, Friday 8:30 a.m. MASS	St. Dominic
October 24th, Saturday 3:30 p.m. Confession 4:00 p.m. MASS 5:00 p.m. COMMUNITY HARVEST FESTIVAL	St. Dominic St. Dominic St. Dominic
October 25th, Sunday 7:00 a.m. MASS 8:30 a.m. Mass 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Sunday 9:30 a.m. NO Religious Ed. 8:30 a.m. Mass 10:30 a.m. CONFIRMATION MASS	St. Dominic St. Francis Xavier St. Francis Xavier St. Francis Xavier Our Lady of Snows St. Dominic
October 26th, Monday Parish Office is Closed 7:00 p.m. St D. K of C Meeting	St. Dominic Hall



PASTORAL COUNCILS		FINANCE COUNCILS	
St. Dominic Darrin Reith Bethany Henry Leigha Sweet Cody Utz Niki Meerpohl Joshua Shupe Theresa Watkins	St. Francis Xavier Ben Ehrhart Marie Burdick Chris Everts Marguerite Mzhickteno Jeri Albright Mike Henry Tina Bailey David Freeland	St. Dominic Barb Heideman David Ashcraft Diane Gross Mark Starr	St. Francis Xavier Mary Lou Koch Sharon Cole Farrell Holthaus Donald Sunday

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENT

SPECIAL SCHEDULE
for the
BIG WEEKEND

OCTOBER 24 (SATURDAY)	OCTOBER 25 (SUNDAY)
4pm Vigil Mass @ St Dominic 5pm Community Harvest Festival @ St Dominic	8:30am Mass @ St Francis Xavier 9:30am Fellowship @ St Francis Xavier 10:30am Confirmation Mass with Archbishop Shawn McKnight @ St Dominic
OCTOBER 25 (SUNDAY)	
7:00am Mass @ St Dominic	

SPECIAL NOTE:
The Confirmation Mass will be full. If at all possible, St. Dominic parishioners are encouraged to attend the other available Masses that weekend.

St. Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus

Knight & Family for the month of October

Mike & Rose Mary Henry

ST. DOMINIC CHURCH
SPECIAL MASS FOR
ALL SOULS DAY
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2 at 6:00 PM
Offered for ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS
of St. Dominic and St. Francis Xavier,
ESPECIALLY THOSE LOST THIS YEAR.

ST. DOMINIC BUILDING COMMITTEE CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

IDEAL CANDIDATE

- Active Parishioner
- Able to Commit to Meetings
- Knowledgeable in Construction/Design

**LAST CALL FOR
NOMINATIONS**

THE PASTOR WILL CHOOSE & ESTABLISH THE ST. DOMINIC BUILDING COMMITTEE. EMAIL NOMINATIONS TO: jdizon@archkck.org

PARISH STEWARDSHIP October 10th & 11th, 2026	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
Envelopes	\$3,415.00	\$1,090.00
Plate	\$459.31	\$245.11
TOTAL	\$3,874.31	\$1,335.11
<i>Week of October 4th & 5th</i>	\$6,265.00	\$1,987.00
<i>Week of September 26th & 27th</i>	\$2,175.00	\$1,026.25

PRAYER INTENTIONS

INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO XIV FOR OCTOBER:

For mental health ministry:

Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

INTENTIONS OF FR. JONATHAN FOR OCTOBER:

For Gratitude Sunday (@SFX) and the Community Harvest Festival (@SD). May the success of these events foster deeper community engagement and allow us to be better stewards of our parishes.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Parishioners:

Judy Arnold Ray Zeller Leon Becker Kalena Tannahill
Karen McClaskey Bill Berns Mary Harris

Relatives and Friends of Parishioners:

Terry Weldin Danyelle Russell Teresa Rioux
Jorgan Beck Jacob Hastings

Our Recently Departed: Robert Atkinson (+July 29), Joy Faulkner (+July 29)

PRAYERS FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM

US Air Force: Andrew Morris, McClain Morris, MSgt. Dylan Parks, TSgt. Nicole Parks, MSgt. Richard Iverson

US Army: MP ANG Therron Fox SSgt. Matthew Zeller **US Marines:** Maj. JP Turner

US Navy: E-5 Dennis Reed Potter **KS Air National Guard:** Sadey Gross

Please submit your prayer intentions either via online method or to the Parish Office. These intentions will be listed for a month. You may request to have them added again. For recently deceased parishioners, they will automatically be listed and will remain there until there's a new one.

Weekly Mass Intentions

October 17th (Sat)

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic

October 18th (Sun)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

10:30 a.m. St. Dominic

October 20th (Tues)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

October 21st (Wed)

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic

October 22nd (Thurs)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

October 23rd (Fri)

8:30 a.m. St. Dominic

October 24th (Sat)

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic

October 25th (Sun)

7:00 a.m. St. Dominic

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

10:30 a.m. St. Dominic

29th Sunday, Ordinary Time

All Parishioners Living & Deceased

29th Sunday, Ordinary Time

Agatha Sudbeck+

Darrel Meyer+

Weekday, Ordinary Time

Mike McClaskey+

Weekday, Ordinary Time

Danielle Nelson+

Weekday, Ordinary Time

Jason Seematter+

Weekday, Ordinary Time

T.A. Parks+

30th Sunday, Ordinary Time

Ben & Marge Fox+

30th Sunday, Ordinary Time

Robert Atkinson+

All Parishioners,

Living & Deceased

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Director of Parish Life and Faith Formation

OCTOBER 2026

POSITION OVERVIEW

The Director of Parish Life & Faith Formation oversees all aspects of lifelong Catholic faith formation (children, youth, and adults) while fostering community connection, sacramental preparation, and parish fellowship to build a vibrant, Christ-centered community across our cluster of parishes.

ACCOUNTABILITY CLASSIFICATION

Pastor
Full Time (30 hrs/wk), Salaried, Exempt

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Faith Formation**
 - Oversee comprehensive catechetical programs, sacramental preparation, youth and adult formation, and Christian initiation for all age groups.
- Parish Life**
 - Oversee outreach to the sick and homebound, social justice initiatives, hospitality and newcomer integration, parish event and wedding coordination, and support for liturgy and the worship environment.
- Pastoral Administration**
 - Manage volunteers, conduct VIRTUS training, assist with tribunal advocacy, maintain effective sacramental records, and participate in leadership meetings.

QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCIES

- Faith & Character**
 - Fully initiated, practicing Roman Catholic in good standing with strong personal integrity and a love for the Gospel.
- Education & Experience**
 - Degree in a theology-related field (or equivalent experience) paired with 2+ years of experience in parish faith formation, youth ministry, or Catholic education.
- Skills & Competencies**
 - Strong public speaking, writing, interpersonal, organizational, and technical proficiency (Office, databases, social media).
- Leadership & Clearances**
 - Warm, relational leadership with the ability to inspire and delegate to volunteers, alongside required background checks and Safe Environment compliance.

WORK SCHEDULE & CONDITIONS

A 30-hour weekly schedule (classified as full-time with benefits) with some evening and weekends required, standard office duties with periodic light lifting, and the ability to travel between parish sites and archdiocesan offices.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

A salary commensurate with experience and diocesan guidelines, a full-time benefits package (healthcare/dental options, retirement plan, PTO, and paid holidays/holy days), and professional development opportunities.

To apply: Send cover letter and resume to jdizon@archkck.org



FIRST ANNUAL COMMUNITY HARVEST FESTIVAL

416 Ohio Avenue, Holton, Kansas | Saturday, October 24, 2026

PART 1: WEEK-OF DROP-OFF SCHEDULE

- Receiving Hours:**
 - Tuesday, October 20 (8:30 AM – 1:30 PM):** Drop-off at the Church Office.
 - Wednesday, October 21 (8:30 AM – 1:30 PM):** Drop-off at the Church Office.
 - Thursday, October 22 (8:30 AM – 1:30 PM):** Drop-off at the Church Office.
 - Friday, October 23 (9:15 AM – 12:00 PM):** Drop-off at the Church Office.
 - Friday, October 23 (1:00 PM – 8:00 PM):** Extended Drop-Off at the Church Hall.
- Items Accepted:** Auction donations, raffle items, game supplies, cakewalk items, pumpkins & decorations, tables & chairs, tents & borrowed equipment, and event supplies.
- IMPORTANT FRIDAY DEADLINE:** All borrowed tables, chairs, equipment, decorations, auction items, and game supplies should be delivered by Friday evening. Enclosed trailer available.
- Special Delivery:** Two (2) LED Solar Light Units arrive Friday afternoon.

PART 2: FRIDAY EVENING PREPARATION

- Time: 1:00 PM – 8:00 PM** (Church Hall & Grounds)
- Secure & Store:** Secure donated/borrowed items, load/organize the enclosed trailer.
- Final Material Checks:** Confirm tables, chairs, signage, auction displays, game supplies, lighting, and power needs.

PART 3: SATURDAY SETUP & OPENING

- Saturday, October 24 starting at 8:00 AM** — Setup Until Complete
- ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO HELP!**
- Event Grounds:** Set up tables, chairs, large tents, covered dining areas, welcome booth, perimeter signage, lighting, parking areas, elderly seating, beer garden tent.
- Entertainment & Power:** Install band trailer, sound system, lighting, generator, rain contingency setups.
- Electrical & Lighting:** Position LED Solar Light Towers, Edison string lighting, LED strip lighting, extension cords, cord covers.
- Activities & Booths:** Set up bounce houses, cakewalk, dime toss, duck pond, lawn games, farmers market, silent auction, raffles, bingo/poker tables, non-alcoholic beverage station, beer garden, face painting.
- Safety Checks (Prior to Opening):** Inspect tent anchoring, secure power cords, keep walkways clear, verify emergency contacts, ensure first aid and weather supplies are ready, test lighting/electrical systems, verify payment systems.

FESTIVAL TIMELINE & BEYOND

 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM Saturday Mass at St. Dominic Catholic Church	 5:00 PM Community Harvest Festival Begins! (All activities open)	 8:00 PM Silent Auction Closes. (Checkout assistance needed)	 ~10:00 PM Festival Ends & Teardown Begins. (Fold tables, stack chairs, cleanup)	 Sunday, October 25 (6:00 AM onward) Final facility and grounds cleanup prior to the 10:30 AM Confirmation Mass
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The St. Dominic, St. Francis Xavier & Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Communities extend their sincerest sympathies and heartfelt prayers to the family of

Roy "Bozo" Hale

Our Lady of Snows community member

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.



PROCEEDS OF Gratitude Sunday

\$12,673.00

+ \$5,000 in Pledged Funds

Thank you for your generous support!

Saint Francis Xavier

THEMES: 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, highlights God's power, faithfulness, and wisdom. The readings show how God works through people, even those who do not know Him, and how faith should shape our actions.

- **God's Control Over History:** God used Cyrus, a foreign king, to help Israel. This shows that God guides events and can use anyone to fulfill His plan.
- **Faith in Action:** Paul praises the Thessalonians for their faith, love, and hope. True faith leads to action and is seen in the way people live.
- **God and Government:** Jesus tells the Pharisees to give Caesar what belongs to him and give God what belongs to God. This teaches that people have duties to both their country and to God.
- **Sincerity in Worship:** The Pharisees questioned Jesus with bad intentions. Worship and faith should come from a sincere heart, not for show or to trap others.
- **The Power of the Gospel:** Paul says the gospel came not only with words but with the Holy Spirit. The message of Jesus changes lives when people truly receive it.
- **Recognizing the One True God:** God reminds Israel that He alone is God. People should put their trust in Him, not in earthly power.

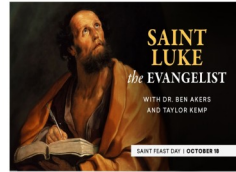
The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, teaches that God is in control, and faith should guide daily life. The readings encourage people to trust God, live sincerely, and give Him what is due.

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Week of October 18, 2026



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Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



Slaves and Kings

Following the life of St. Anthony Mary Clare—Archbishop, writer, publisher, social reformer, and confessor to the Queen of Spain—this film tells the compelling story of one of Spain's most popular preachers and founder of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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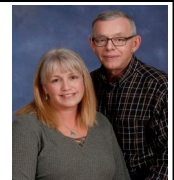
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