St. Anthony of Padua

607 N. Main St. - Garden Plain, Kansas

December 18, 2022 4th Sunday of Advent

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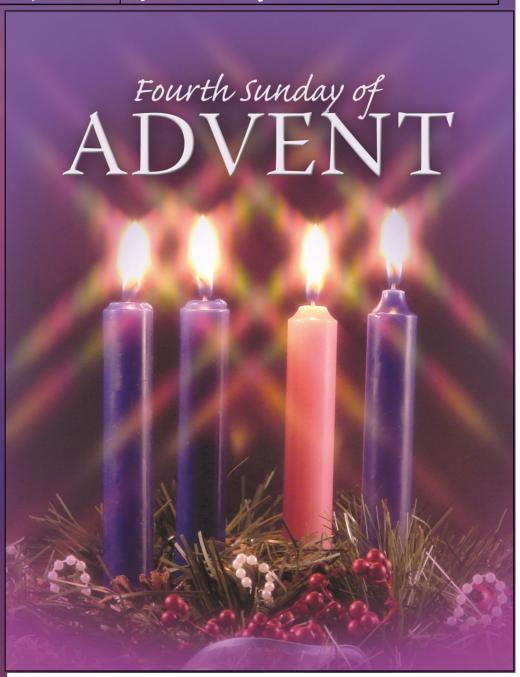
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To Register

Welcome to those who are new to our parish. If you would like to register at either St. Anthony, Garden Plain or St. Mary, Aleppo, please call St. Anthony's Parish Office at (316) 531-2252 to request a registration packet. Forms available on our website at www.stanthonygardenplain.com.



Holy Mass

Sunday

Saturday (Vigil) - 4:30 p.m. Sunday - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays

Mon., Tues. & Fri. - 7:30 a.m. Wed. - 6:30 p.m. (See Bulletin for Thur. Mass Time)

Confession

Weekly

Wed. 5:00 p.m. Sat. 3:00 p.m.

Prayer Line

Call Janie Wells at (316) 540-9878 for Prayer Request

Adoration

Weekly

Mon. 8:00 a.m. to Tue. 7:00 a.m.

Thursday before 1st Friday

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (See Bulletin for Any Changes)

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sat., December 17

All Day - STA Parish Hall Reserved 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. - Confessions

Sun., December 18 (4th Sunday of Advent)

9:00 a.m. - First Time Parent Baptismal Class in Franciscan Hall

10:00 a.m. - Choir Sings

4:30 p.m. - K of C Initiation for New Members at Church

5:05 p.m. - K of C Rosary at Church

5:30 p.m. - K of C Mtg. at Parish Hall

Mon., December 19

8:00 a.m. - Adoration begins

Tues.. December 20

7:00 a.m. - Adoration ends

Wed.. December 21

9:00 a.m. - 12:35 p.m. - Daytime G.S. PSR Classes

5:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Confessions

6:15 - 7:15 p.m. - Evening G.S. PSR Classes

7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice

Thurs., December 22

No Events

Fri.. December 23

No Events

Parish Office Closed Sat., December 24

4:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

Sun., December 25 (Nativity of The Lord) Merry Christmas!

8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., December 17

4:30 p.m. - † Dolores Smith

Sun., December 18

8:00 a.m. - † Willie Ricken

10:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

Mon.. December 19

7:30 a.m. - † Troy Zoglman

Tues., December 20

7:30 a.m. - † Bob Thimesch

Wed.. December 21

6:30 p.m. - † Charlie Wells

Thurs., December 22

7:30 a.m. - † Mel Dold

Fri., December 23

7:30 a.m. - † Dorothy Albers

Sat., December 24

4:30 p.m. - † John & Bobbie Bogner

Sun., December 25

8:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. - † Wilfred Panek

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTION REMINDER

In accordance with the IRS regulations, all contributions received in the parish office on or by 12/31 will be credited as 2022 contributions on your contribution statement, regardless of the check date. All contributions received in the parish office after this date will be credited as a 2023 contribution. The offertory collection received on Sunday, 1/01/23 will be considered a 2023 contribution.

WEEKDAY ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE who will be really happy are

Mon., December 19

7:30 a.m. - Brady & Cally Koester

Tues., December 20

7:30 a.m. - Karsvn Koester & Ade Kasselman

Wed., December 21

6:30 p.m. - Nate Eck & Lucas Rau

Thurs., December 22

7:30 a.m. - Christmas Break for Servers

Fri., December 23

7:30 a.m. - Christmas Break for Servers

those who will have sought and found how to serve."

"The only ones among you

-ALBERT SCHWEITZER

12/11/2022

Sunday Collection - \$15,364.75 Christmas Donations - \$1,740,00 Solemnity of Mary Donations - \$100.00

> Thank You for Your Stewardship of Treasure!

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. - Mt 1:23-24

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES WEEKEND - 12/24 & 12/25/2022

Lectors

4:30 p.m. - Lori Becker

8:00 a.m. - Heidi Becker 10:00 a.m. - Megan Pinkley

Rosary Leaders

4:30 p.m. - *No Rosary*

8:00 a.m. - No Rosary

10:00 a.m. - No Rosarv

Gift Bearers

4:30 p.m. - Mike Leis' Family

8:00 a.m. - Joe Biggerstaff's Family

10:00 a.m. - Tom Costello's Family

Homebound EMHC's - December

Cindi Panek & Jean Carter

1st Time Parent Class Facilitator December 18 at 9:00 a.m.

Anne Weber

Altar Servers

4:30 p.m. - Allyson & Sophia Bolinger Alayna & Kaylah Hoheisel

8:00 a.m. - Aubrey, Connor & Kylie Mease & Lucas Rau

10:00 a.m. - Lyndsee & Jacyee Ricke Megan Heimerman Pevton Custer

EMHC's

4:30 p.m. - Rod & Jennifer Thimesch

8:00 a.m. - David Helten Dave Reida

10:00 a.m. - Tom Costello Rick Heimerman

Ushers - December

4:30 p.m. - Kevin Hammond, Tracy Thul, Bob Hoheisel & Michael Gros

8:00 a.m. - Dean Baker, Duane Hampel, Brad Puetz & Greg Wells

10:00 a.m. - Joe Fisher, Greg Jennings, Zack May & Volunteer Needed

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on either the first or second Sunday of the month at St. Anthony Parish and St. Mary Parish respectively when Fr. H Setter is celebrating Mass. Parent(s) who plan to have their child baptized are required to be actively practicing their Catholic faith, be registered and active in the parish for no less than six months prior to the baptism. First time parent(s) need to attend a baptismal class. Baptismal forms are available at the parish office, during office hours. Forms need to be returned at least one week prior to the date of baptism.

MARRIAGES

The bride or groom must be registered in the parish for a minimum of six months before preparation for marriage will begin. The bride or groom registered in the parish is expected to be actively participating in the life of the Church by living the Stewardship Way of Life. Please contact the Pastor to begin. Dates for the weddings will only be scheduled AFTER meeting with the Pastor. Do not schedule, commit to, or make down payments for venues, caterers, musicians, photographers, etc. until you have met with the Pastor. There is no guarantee to scheduling a wedding on your preferred day.

FROM FATHER H

Stewardship Renewal - Our deadline to return completed Stewardship Renewal forms has passed as we are now getting all of our information put into our parish data system. Our goal was to get everything updated in the data system by the end of December in order to have accurate and current information with respect to our ministries, organizations, etc. to begin the new calendar year. Sadly, I must report to you that of the 430 registered families we have here, only 150 time and talent forms were returned, and only 144 treasure forms were returned. I had honestly hoped that we would see a much more successful return rate. While I am saddened by such a small return. I am hopeful and optimistic that many of you have just overlooked getting these back to the parish office and will do so as soon as possible.

It is most important that we realize that our parish family is just that, a family, A family that needs everyone to be active and committed to making our parish as vibrant and successful as possible, no matter who we are. We are all important, we are all needed, and we all matter. If you haven't done so. I would kindly ask that you take the few minutes it takes and complete your renewal materials and return them as soon as possible. I know in my heart that we can do better, because we are better than the current return rate that we have. Please join me in praying that every family of our parish becomes a "stewardship way of life" family by starting with the return of our renewal documents for 2023.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS

PSR Classes - Morning and evening classes will be held on Wednesday only this week.

Questions for Faith Sharing - The theme for this Sunday's readings is: Jesus is God made flesh. (Emmanuel = God is with us!) Question for Adults: What experiences do you have of God "speaking to you" and directing your life and work? How does God speak to you in prayer? Question for Youth: God speaks to us in our intuitions and imagination, as he did to Joseph in this dream. What is your experience of hearing God speak in this way? What is God asking of you?

Let us pray that we will be able to clearly hear God speaking to us, and respond with the same faith which Joseph had.

"Beware speaking ill, for taking back words is burdensome." ~ St. John of Kanty

CYM Board Meeting - The CYM Board members will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday. December 21, followed by CYM at 7:00 p.m. for all high school youth. Religion classes are from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Enjoy your break as our next night of CYM and PSR classes will be on Wednesday, January 11.

VIRTUS Session - There will be a VIRTUS session on Sunday, January 8 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Joseph, Ost. Sarah Beying will be the facilitator, and this is open to anyone who has yet to take a VIRTUS session. Please register, as space is limited, by going to www.virtusonline.org, click "first time registrant" and select this session.

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COUNCIL #2937 NEWS

K of C Mtg. - Our next meeting is this Sunday, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS December 18. We will have an initiation of new members at 4:30 p.m. in church. The Rosary begins at 5:05 p.m. in church, followed by the meeting at 5:30 p.m. in St. Anthony's Parish Hall.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Christmas Party - Please plan to join us on Wednesday, January 4 following the 6:30 p.m. Mass for our Altar Society Christmas Party. We will be sampling Wine & Chocolate pairings as well as other snacks. This will be a great way to meet your chairladies and other members of your circle as we work together this coming year. This will be in place of the 1st Monday meeting. Please RSVP to Heidi at heidibecker06@gmail.com by Monday, January 2 to aid in planning.

RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Kollvns Elizabeth Gordon Daughter of



Abby Gordon

Baptized on December 11, 2022

Nash Roderick Heastv Son of

Rod & Monica (McFadden) Heasty Baptized on December 11, 2022

CHRISTMAS CALL TO SHARING 2022

"The priesthood is the love and the heart of Jesus. When you see a priest, think of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Please consider a gift this year to Christmas Call to Sharing for the benefit of the education of seminarians and our retired priests.

EVENTS AROUND THE AREA

Annual Eve of the Eve Dance - Region V Youth Board is hosting a Snowball Masguerade. This is open to all high school teens. Friday, December 30, 2022, 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. at St. Mary (2300 E. Meadowlark, Derby, KS). Come enjoy a night of fun, food and fellowship! Snacks and drinks will be provided. This is a formal event, please dress formally and modestly. Masguerade masks will NOT be provided. Bring your own if desired. Entry cost \$5 per person or \$20 for a group of 5. Come as a couple, in a group or by yourself!

Part-time Mobile Feeding Staff, The Lord's Diner, Wichita - The Catholic Diocese of Wichita is seeking an enthusiastic individual for the position of Mobile Feeding Staff for The Lord's Diner. This individual will be accountable for the loading, transportation, serving of food and cleanup for the mobile feeding truck. This is a part-time position, 20-25 hours a week, and will involve working afternoon and evening hours.

Part-time Cook and Mobile Feeding Staff, The Lord's Diner, Pittsburg - The Diocese of Wichita is seeking an enthusiastic individual for the position of Part-time Cook and Mobile Feeding Staff for The Lord's Diner, Pittsburg. This individual will work 20 hours per week and assist in planning nutritious, cost effective meals for the guests, help with oversight of the preparation of the meal by volunteers, and assist with loading, transportation, serving of food and cleanup for the mobile feeding truck.

Applications will be accepted until these positions are filled. For information regarding requirements, please check our job posting

at https://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/careers/

Revive Marriage Retreat - January 6; 7:00 p.m. -January 8; 12:00 p.m. with Jim & Meg Beckman at the Spiritual Life Center. This weekend retreat will supercharge your marriage. Featuring talks by Jim and Meg Beckman, this retreat will create a rejuvenating and spiritual experience where you will be able to spend time with other couples in discussion and prayer, and one-on-one time for you and your spouse to grow in fellowship. Retreat costs apply. For more information and to register, please visit www.slcwichita.org or call 316-744-0167.

Day of Prayer and Healing - On Saturday, January 7, A Day of Prayer and Healing retreat for women and men who have been impacted by abortion will be offered in Wichita Saturday, January 7, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The day retreat can help participants begin the healing journey and bring hope to those who are suffering from the impact of past abortions. Registration is \$30 which includes lunch and all materials. Participation is confidential. For more information or to register, contact Stephanie Nemechek at 316-269-HOPE (4673) or ProjectRachel@CatholicDioceseofWichita.org

December 18, Fourth Sunday of Advent: Is 7:10-14 / Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24

"This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about." Today's opening line in Matthew's Gospel is mind-boggling. Just sit and think about what that means. Those ten words lead Christians from the beginning, to the end, of time. It is a story we should all know and should be able to share with anyone. It is a story that is so amazing, it is almost unbelievable, and, without faith, it is hard to believe. Yet, it makes so much sense!

Then, there is the story of how each of us came to know Jesus, an actual encounter, in our hearts, in our minds, and in our souls. It is a story that is so hard to keep to ourselves, yet, it is a story not told nearly enough. What is your story? Write it down, read it, meditate on it and last but not least, share it! "Let the Lord enter (your story), he is king of glory!



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