



Immaculate Conception Parish
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July 23, 2023 ~ Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

This week's Mass Schedule & Events

Sun. 23:

St. Patrick's: 8:00 a.m. Mass for All the people of the parish
ICC: 10:00 a.m. Mass for † Kathy Chapin

Mon. 24 8:00 a.m. Mass for Sp. Int. for Bernard Girard

Tue. 25 8:00 a.m. Mass for Liv/Dscd mbrs Corcoran family

Wed. 26 6:30 p.m. Mass for † DuaneThibault

Thur. 27 Fr. will say a Mass in Abilene at 7 a.m.

Fri. 28 9:30 a.m. Mass for † Kathy Chapin
Adoration ~ 8:30 a.m.

Sun. 30:

St. P's: 8:00 a.m. Mass for All the people of the parish
ICC: 10:00 a.m. Mass for † Jeff Winingham
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PRAYER REQUESTS: Tara Bush, Wayne Kemper, Betty Bowden, Wayne Rziha, David Caldwell, Tyran Owens, Terry & Gary Johnson, Kayly Schoming, Brenda Gamboa, Luke & Mary Yetter, Tallie Baetz, Stan Knaus, Patty Prochazka, Janice Brungardt, Eloyd Owens, Ambre Zvolanek- Honeywell, Jody Vater, Tina Sandoval, Charles Horinek, Lorraine Schneweis, Ted Loeffler, Connie Burt, Lynda Krah, Teresa Bellerive, Peg Colborn, Andrea Trupp, Barb Martin, Mary Lou Crawford, Nancy Boyer, Judy Tracy, Kim Klucas, Chris Hrabe, Josh Hendry, Jim Suber, Lonnie Creach, Darla Sealock & Delbert & Norma Lewis.

Remember ~ we start the Rosary 20 minutes before all Masses
~ come and join us!!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The next cook-out will be on Sunday, August 6th right after Mass.

MEN'S RETREAT: Men of the Salina Diocese -- Please put August 12th on your calendars! Check our website for details: <https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/mens-conference>.

ADULT FORMATION: Would you like to learn more about your faith and earn college hours as well. Or you can just take a class for personal enrichment. Classes are now being offered through Zoom and all are welcome to participate. Church in Partnership with Catholic Diocese of Dodge City, Catholic Diocese of Salina and Newman University are offering classes this fall. There are brochures on the tables with the Holy Water as you come into church. If you have questions, you can contact Coleen Stein, Coordinator - her info is in the brochure.

**Liturgical Assignments Sunday
July 23 & August 6, 2023**

Lector:

Caleb Smith - 23

Jim Moorman - 6

Server:

Lucas Newcomer - 23

Andrew & Jordan Gray

Eucharistic Minister:

Amber Smith/Patty Francis/Tom Ryan - 23

Marcia Ryan/Lucy Alexander/Doug Francis-6

ICC ~ Sunday Offering ~ July 16, 2023

Weekly Goal:	2,150.00	Goal needed every week to meet budget: \$2,150.00
Loose Plate:	158.63	
Envelopes:	1,045.00	
Children's:	00.00	YTD Goal: 6,450.00
Difference:	-946.47	Amt. Given: 4,120.63
Special Coll.:	00.00	Difference: -2,329.37

Please Remember ICC
in your Will!

Envelopes used:
18 out of 52 = 34%

Our Military Men & Women serving our country ~ Mason Campbell. Madelyn Boyer, Dylan Hynes & Patrick Crippen. If you have someone serving please let Daylene know.



PASTOR'S CORNER: Our readings for this upcoming Lord's Day involve a meditation on both God's mercy and his justice, and the complex way both virtues of God are expressed in his government of human affairs in general and his people in particular. We see that God's apparent tolerance of evil in the short-term is an expression of his mercy and desire that all should repent. Yet, ultimately, God can and will establish justice.

Wisdom affirms that God's supreme power does not imply that God is a tyrant. Our God is a God strong enough to be gentle; that is, challenges to his authority do not, so to speak, shake his self-confidence and provoke a violent response, as is the case with human dictators or strongmen. Human rulers should follow the divine example: power should be combined with justice and kindness.

In the context of Wisdom 12, the sacred author is discussing, in particular, God's mercy on the Canaanites: despite their moral evil, God did not wipe them out at once but allowed them hundreds of years and many opportunities to repent. To repent of what? "Their merciless slaughter of children" and "these parents who murder helpless lives". The Canaanites practiced child sacrifice to their gods, which also served as a kind of birth control—since promiscuous sexual activity in the worship of their divinities produced "unwanted" children.

So we see how similar ancient Canaanite culture is to the modern West, where promiscuous sexual activity is sought out and celebrated, with the result that one in five children are killed in the womb since the right to abort one's child is considered a foundational principle of our culture, especially by our Supreme Court. Wisdom gives us hope that America and similar corrupt societies will not be destroyed at once but will be given time and opportunity to repent and turn to God.

The reality is that we can so contort and distort our souls by our evil choices in this life that we end up calling good evil and evil good, and rejecting the goodness of God for eternity. Let's pray to the merciful God that he will save us from our own hypocrisy and spiritual blindness, such that we may be true wheat, gathered into his barn!

Taken from *The Word of the Lord* by:
John Bergsma

Alcoholics Anonymous

Hotline 1-800-593-3330

Meets every Sunday at 8 p.m. in the parish hall & Wednesday mornings at 8 a.m. also in the parish hall. These are open meetings and all are welcome!

DIOCESE VOCATION PRAYER: O Lord, My God, please raise up an army of priests from the sons of the Diocese of Salina. Priests that will carry Your merciful words of absolution upon their lips. Priests that will anoint our loved ones with Your Holy Oil in sickness and at the hour of their death. Priests who will fearlessly proclaim the Gospel in season and out. Priests who will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for our salvation. Dearest Mother Mary, whisper consoling words of comfort into the hearts of mothers and fathers of our diocese as their sons discern a call into the Holy Orders of Christ's Eternal Priesthood. We ask this with humble hearts through the Holy Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Theme: The reign of God is like.....

Adults: How would you describe "the weed" which have polluted your own faith, or the faith of people whom you know.

Youth: The good and the bad have the same opportunity to rule our life. What are you doing (bad habits, poor choices, etc.) that you need to weed out? Who can help you with that?

Children: What are the things that keep you from being a friend of Jesus?

CATHOLIC CHARITIES THRIFT STORE HOURS:

Monday & Wednesday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Friday

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please go to website for more information:

ccnks.org/thriftstore

CREIGHTON MODEL INTRO SESSIONS: The following are the dates for the Creighton Model Intro Sessions which will be held at Chiropractic Wellness Center, 1130 East Cloud Street, Salina at 7 p.m. You can contact Dr. Maria Rapp at drmaria@cwcks.com with any questions. 2023 dates: **7/25**, 8/17, 10/10, 11/9 & 12/11.

PARISH COUNCIL & FINANCE COUNCIL: Parish Council will meet today right after Mass.

And on Sunday, July 30th we will have a Finance Council meeting right after Mass.

At both meetings we will be going over and signing the Annual Report. Please look for agenda's and the annual report in your email this coming week.

St. Patrick's ~ Sunday Offering ~ July 16, 2023

Weekly Goal: \$250.00

Envelopes:	310.00	YTD Goal:	750.00
Special Coll.:	0.00	Amt. Given:	<u>1,051.00</u>
		Difference:	+301.00

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