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**December 31, 2023 ~ The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

**This week's Mass Schedule & Events**

Sun. 31:

St. P's: 8:00 a.m. Mass for All the people of the parish  
 ICC: 10:00 a.m. Mass for † Randy, Rick & Amy Pilcher

**New Years Eve:**

ICC: 4:00 p.m. Mass for Liv/Dscd Mbrs Prochazka Family

Mon. 01 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. P's for all the people of the parish

Tue. 02 8:00 a.m. Mass for Lvg/dscd mbrs Corcoran Family

Wed. 03 6:30 p.m. Mass for † Jim Murray

Thur. 04 8:00 a.m. Mass for Sp. Int. for Fr. John's Family

Fri. 05 9:30 a.m. Mass for † Patty Schlesener  
 Adoration ~ 8:30 a.m.

Sun. 07:

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



Prayer Requests

**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 & Jim Schneewis, 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, Emily Werchen, Gerald Owens, Darla Sealock & Delbert & Norma Lewis.

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

**POINSETTIA TREE:** Poinsettia's can be picked up next Sunday, January 7th after Mass.

**Liturgical Assignments Sunday  
 December 31, 2023 & January 7, 2024**

**Lector:**

Jim Moorman - 31

Jim Tracy - 7

**Server:**

Mason Brubaker - 31

Maya Newcomer - 7

**Eucharistic Minister:**

Marcy/Craig Newcomer/Tom Ryan - 31

Marcia Ryan/Lucy Alexander/Patty Francis - 7

**THANK YOU FROM THE OPERATION GORILLA FAMILY**

**COMMITTEE:** This year we were able to help 27 families and 14 senior/single citizens - all connected to our community with huge baskets of food and paper goods, laundry soap, snacks - all items that keeps families going. Additionally, gift cards to Bush's Market and Dollar General were provided from the cash donations as well as a ham for Christmas dinner. Senior citizens also received frozen prepared meals from Gorilla Grub. Thank you from the Operation Gorilla Family Committee. P.S. So sorry about that bus not being there, but we have an idea for next year!!!! Thank you again for your generosity!

Daylene has been on vacation  
 this past week  
 Totals will be in next week's bulletin!

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



**PASTOR'S CORNER:** The Sunday that falls in the Octave of the Solemnity of Christmas is dedicated to celebrating the Holy Family. The readings for this Sunday focus on the rights and responsibilities of family members toward each other, and the Gospel focuses on the role of the "most forgotten" member of the Holy Family, St. Joseph, who cared for and protected the Blessed Mother and infant Jesus through the dangerous early years of Jesus' childhood.

The first reading reminds us that the salvation of the world "passes by way of the family," to use a phrase of which St. John Paul II was fond. Again, the salvation of the world frequently did and still does, come down to quiet decisions and acts of faith made by parents in out-of-the-way times and places, decisions and acts that are never reported in the papers or on the internet, but which lead to conception and birth of new human beings who ultimately will change the world. Truly the drama of human history plays out mostly in the quiet intensity of daily life, especially within the family. This should motivate us to recommit ourselves to seeking holiness in the little, mundane details of daily living, because so often it is from those small acts of faith in the pursuit of holiness that great acts of salvation are conceived and grow.

God continues to wait for us in the place of worship. when we attend Mass and the other sacraments, we encounter a God who has been "waiting for us" to show up, ready with a blessing to bestow on us. This is by no means sentimental, because sufferings are going to come and we will share the passion of Christ. Nonetheless, God waits for us with the encouragement we need, if we show up and make our holy appointments—be that our weekly Mass obligation, our daily prayer time—with a spirit of obedience and humility.

Taken from: The Word of the Lord - Reflections on the Sunday Mass Readings - by: John Bergsma

**DONATION DEADLINE:** To qualify as a donation in 2023, the gift must be received by the parish by December 31 or it must arrive, post December 31, in an envelope postmarked in 2023. Backdating a check to December does not qualify as a 2023 donation.

## 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:** Families grow through good times and bad.

**Adults:** Whether single, married, or divorced, how does Paul's advice ring true in your own life? choose one of his suggestions and share how it touches your life.

**Youth:** God chose to be among us in the person of Jesus. How does having a God who knows what it means to be human affect the way you pray or think about God?

**Children:** Why is it important for you to obey your parents or guardians?

## 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](http://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](mailto:drmaria@cwcks.com) with any questions. 2024 dates: 1/11, 2/20, 3/11, 4/18, 5/21.

**RELIGIOUS ED.:** Classes resume on Sunday, January 7th at 9 a.m. ~ Blessed Holidays to all!

## NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE:

December 31

New Year's Eve: ICC - 4 pm

January 1st - New Year's Day: St. Patrick 9 am

31st - Sunday morning Masses are at usual times

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR

### NEW YEAR'S EVE

Lector: Luke Riordan Server: ??

Euch. Min.: Sarah Riordan/Marcia Ryan/Lucy Alexander

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