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Good News from St. Patrick's & St. Joseph's



July 2017



I am not one to cry very often. Still, I have to admit that almost every year I get a little watery-eyed on the 4th of July when I see a video montage of soldiers returning home and surprising their loved ones. I am not ashamed of this. I'm actually proud of it because these encounters reveal the deep sacrifice that an entire family makes in order to protect our country and defend my freedom.

I should be filled with this kind of appreciation and genuine patriotism that the 4th of July is all about.

I think we often misunderstand patriotism. Real patriotism does not shout about being better than other cultures, government, or nations; nor does it celebrate abstract ideas like "freedom" or "democracy." Rather, a true patriot wells up with pride, gratitude, and love for real individuals: the founding fathers who bravely fought and wisely established a nation centered on protecting God-given rights for every person, the politicians who work hard to enact laws which are in accord with God's plan, and the men and women who sacrificed everything to allow us to have a home full of true freedom. In short, the 4th of July is more about Americans than America.

So have a blessed and safe 4th of July. May it be a day full of family, prayer for our country and its leaders, and gratitude for the freedoms we so often take for granted. And as you fire up the grill and light off those fireworks, be a true patriot and remember what we celebrate: real people from history, in Washington D.C., and in our own neighborhoods who make America the land of the free and the home of the brave.

God bless you and God bless America!

Deacon Garrett



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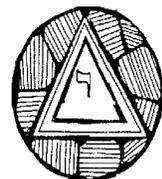
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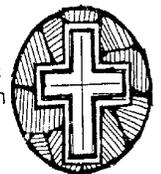
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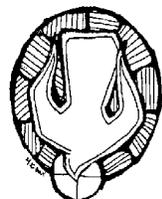
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Glory
to the Father



the
Son



and
the Holy Spirit



PRAYER REQUESTS

We have had 77 requests for prayer this past month.
Please continue to pray for those fighting or recovering from illness.



Father Thomas Scaletty
Mary Alice Lair
Cecil Watts
Mike & Laurie Johnson's granddaughter Addie
Jim Stover
Dick & RoAnn Sevart's grandson, Tyler
Pete & Angie Zaragosa's daughter, Melissa
John & Linda Ward's great nephew
Victor & Janalin Hood's son, Henry
Wendell Leis
Angela Hill
Holly Donaldson
Flo Honas' brother, Verlin
Tom Frederick's daughter, Janet
Marsha Gean
Fred Ysusi
Todd Clements
Cecil & Kathy Watt's daughter, Marcia Freeman
Julia Peter's niece, JJ O'Toole
Tricia Reid's brother in law, Jerry Keene
Josh & Tara Hill's daughter, Emma
Former parishioner, Mary
Charlie Boaz
Dick & RoAnn Sevart's son
Donald & Lila's grandson, Anthony
Jeremy Gant
Cryilla Cooper's nephew, Gerald Bienhoff
Bob Kuesterstephen's daughter, Jeanne
Ruthie Zimmerman's grandson, Camdon DeWitt
Father Gene Grabner
Gary & Wanda Friederich's great grandson, Caden
Patty Ungles cousin, Jerry Walker
Michael Horgan's aunt
Sherri Watson's nephew, Andy Rausch
Betty Butler's great grandson, Keenan

Rachel Mueller
Don Papst
Chris & Jean Flores' great niece
Verla Bryant's daughter, Tammy
Jack Haight
Rosalie Wilkinson
Marge Neely friends, John & Kathy
Anna Huerter
Barb Sigler's brother
Maxine Gates' granddaughter, Debra
Don & Linda Wolken's brother in law, Don
Linda Ward's niece
Rebecca Mendoza
Nancy Bollig
Amy Ornelas' cousins 12 yr old daughter
Dick & RoAnn Sevart's grandson, Tyler
Joe Gobeau
Bill Boaz's brother, Mike
Ronald & Edna Seufert's friend, Helen
Shirley Farren's brother, David
Sherri Watson's friend, Betty
Special intention of a parishioner & their family
Martha Hendrix's sister, Agnes
Lanny Cooper
Lanny & Cyrilla Cooper's friend, Charley
Flo Honas' friend, Bud.
Wanda Friederich's brother Terry, and niece Lynette
Pete & Angie Zaragosa's friend, Francis
Laurel McVey's brother-in-law, Larry and his family
Our Totus Tuus team, volunteers, our kids
Cyrilla Cooper's sister, Virginia, and her nephew Jeff
Two special intentions of a parishioner.
Mary Ann Kneeland
Special intention for Jaime Prideaux



Raylan Lee Dustin Love, son of Scottie & Misti (Givens) Love
was baptized on June 18, 2017 at St. Patrick Catholic Church.

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Gay O'Rourke's mother, Imogene Miga, June 19, 2017

Carolyn Heenan & Joyce Quick's mother, Yvonne Thummel, June 19, 2017

Connie Melendez, Tim & Tom Borjas brother, Johnnie Lee Borjas, June 21, 2017

Karen Graham's mother, Alice Ekart, June 28, 2017





Knights News for July 2017

By John Busse

Family of the month for July is Pete and Angie Zaragosa. Pete helps prepare the meat for three separate enchilada rolls. He has helped with other cooking duties throughout the year. Angie is a Lector and also a Eucharistic Minister. Pete is also a 4th Degree member. Thank you for your talents.

Enchilada roll will be held either the last of this month or early part of August. We will be rolling 150 dozen and the proceeds go to fund our many charitable programs such as Seminarians support, CYO trips to Steubenville, or March for Life in Washington D.C., Pennies from Heaven or coffee and donuts, etc.

Corporation meeting is being rescheduled for this month after the regular meeting on July 10th. We did not have all the officers there at the June meeting so we had to postpone the meeting until July. It is very important that we keep our Council activities separate from our business activities. On a separate note, we need two men to serve on the building committee which oversees maintenance and repairs to the hall. Presently Dick Severt has been handling the responsibility for the roof repair from the hail damage our building incurred last spring.

We wish to thank all those who attended our Chaplains dinner and heard some great music and listened to our Seminarian speak on his vocation motivation. We also heard from our students who were teaching Totus Tuus. They told where they were from and what school they are attending. Herman Colvin passed out several awards for the oldest members and they were Jim Farrell and Bob Huerter. Bill Boaz and John Busse each received awards for 50 plus years of service to the Knights.

Scott McKinney will be selecting the new or continuing committee chairman to serve on the various committees for our new year. The committees are Church, Council, Community, Family, Pro-Life and Youth. We have 171 members and we hope to get more participation this year without over burdening anyone.

Membership and Retention: These are the most important positions in our Council in order to keep it viable. We need to recruit new members and keep fresh ideas. We currently have a very motivated insurance agent and can help you with your insurance needs. Jim Schibi is a member of the Parsons Council and can be reached by calling (620) 778-0425,



St. Patrick Catholic School Newsletter

July 2017

St. Patrick Catholic School assists families in an environment of excellence and stewardship in forming children in the Catholic faith to become disciples of Jesus Christ who know, love and serve God.

Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" John 20:17

EVENTS TO REMEMBER

June 16 - July 14	St. Patrick Catholic School Office CLOSED
July 24, 25, 26	Final School Registration 11:00 AM — 7:00 PM
August 12	Back to School Swim Party
August 16	First Day of School



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
NEEDING VOLUNTEERS FOR
THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL THE
ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL
OFFICE AT 620-431-4020
FOR MORE DETAILS.**

St. Patrick Altar Society

By Linda Springer

Linda Greve-Edson & I had the extreme pleasure of hosting the first annual "Garden Party". If you missed it, we are so sorry. It was such a great afternoon of fun, food, music & friendships. All the smiles, laughter & just plain fun made the day such a success. It's so hard to make everyone who helped know just how much you were appreciated. So many came together to make it such a special day.

We had such an assortment of great food. I can't begin to name all the cooks but you out did yourselves & we thank you! We had plants for favors (don't forget to pray for your lady). Thank you to Mary Sanchez for planting them in pots for us. The music was provided by Doug Toon & I know, enjoyed by all.

We also were able to welcome two new ladies to our Parish. Sylvia Spicer who has moved to Chanute with her new husband & will be an elementary teacher at CES. Also Jordan Newton who has moved here from Atchison & will be attending nursing school. Jordan has already impressed us with her enthusiasm for donating her time & talents.



And what would a Garden Party be without plants! Thank you Hans' Flowers for the use of your beautiful plants. The real surprise came from the clean up crew. We weren't expecting that but can't begin to tell you how much it was appreciated! And last but, not least, to the planning committee. We worked well together & each deserves a pat on the back. Our thanks go to Nancy Castellucci, Mary Sanchez, Mary Jane Burghart, Kristy Boaz, Sandy Alonzo & of course our two Linda's.

But to our friends & family that came; thank you for sharing your afternoon with us. It makes us smile thinking of each & every one of you. We hope to see you all soon.



THE STEWARDSHIP WAY OF LIFE

By Duane Knapp

STEWARDSHIP is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.

We live in a Stewardship diocese and are known as such by other Catholic dioceses. We should be familiar with the above definition of Stewardship as we practice our faith in the Wichita diocese.

We are called by God to not only be a disciple but to grow in discipleship. We are called not to be a fan of Jesus, but a follower of Jesus through our sharing of the gifts our Creator has given us-we are to imitate the life and teachings of Jesus.

As a member of the Body of Christ, how do we share these gifts? Time is a gift given to us by God. In our busy lives, time is very precious. One way to grow in discipleship is through our prayer life. Making time for prayer allows our relationship with God to grow. Our relationship with Jesus is strengthened through our participation in the Sacraments and spending meaningful time reflecting on the Scriptures.

God has given each of us Talents. These talents are individual to each of us. When we share these talents, we are giving something of ourselves. These talents are meant to be shared for the good of others. This includes our families, friends, our fellow parishioners as well as outside organizations. We should joyfully share our talents for the love of God.

All that we have is a gift from God. That includes our Treasure. Each of us have a responsibility to support the Church and its mission. The ability of a parish to provide needed services to its members and the community depend upon its parishioners sharing of money and personal service to their programs and projects.

Are you a follower of Jesus? Are you using the gifts of your Time, Talent, and Treasure to grow in discipleship? Is God calling you to do more or something different? Let each of us quietly listen to the Holy Spirit as we attempt to answer these questions and find God's personal calling. THANKS BE TO GOD.