

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT—FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Sat. 2-17	2:00 p.m.	Confirmation Mass (St. Francis) Confirmation Class
Sat. 2-17	5:30 p.m.	First Sunday of Lent (St. Francis) +Frank Oplotnik
Sun. 2-18	8:00 a.m.	First Sunday of Lent (St. Ambrose) +Emma Beachner
Sun. 2-18	10:00 a.m.	First Sunday of Lent (St. Francis) People of the Parishes
Mon. 2-19	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Rex Bohrer
Tue. 2-20	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Charles Gouvion
Wed. 2-21		(St. Francis) No Evening Mass or Adoration Due to Funeral Mass
Thur. 2-22	8:30 a.m.	(St. Ambrose) +Paul Lynch Jr.
Fri. 2-23	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Leslie Treiber
Sat. 2-24	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) Our Loved One's Return to the Faith
Sat. 2-24	5:30 p.m.	Second Sunday of Lent (St. Francis) +Sara Grosdidier
Sun. 2-25	8:00 a.m.	Second Sunday of Lent (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes
Sun. 2-25	10:00 a.m.	Second Sunday of Lent (St. Francis) +Richard Ewan

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 4:30-5:15 p.m. at St. Francis and 30 minutes before each daily and Sunday Mass.

ST. AMBROSE LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, February 25th-8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: Donna Bohrer

Lector: Cindy Lero

Altar Server: Bill/Nancy Schoenhofer

Gifts: M/M Ed Spielbusch

February Ushers: Wade/Laura Hoppas

Donuts: Francie Bohrer and Debbie Beachner

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Sheri Bell, Ron Lallemand, Mary Ann Dougherty, Jane Anne Beachner, Jerry Beachner, Isla Taylor, Charlie Gottlob, Nina Madl, Diane Davis, Barbara Workman, Dorothy VanLeeuwen, Jason Schoenhofer, Fran Dooly, Karen Steinbacher, Marilyn Dugan, Frances Fox, Sarah Norris-Crews, Laura Kay Nutter, Ed Lero, Joan Unruh, Virginia Westerman, Rene Miller, Judy Diskin, C.L. & Mitzi Warstler, Jeanine Schettler, Beverly Simmons, John Schoenhofer, Irene Baldwin, Lu Reeves, Miles Smith, Fr. Sam Pinkerton, Don George, Jimmy Schoenhofer, Donna Vitt, Pat Kanute, Helen George, Steve Schoenhofer, Harrison Hill (*Francis Grosdidier's Great Grandson*) Shirley VanLeeuwen Gray, Sean Kernick, Janie Schibi, Mary Hines, Mona Pitts, Jake Andrews, Aaron Mann, Betty Duling, Christine Schettler, Lois Carlson, Ruth Ann Schoenhofer, Wade Westhoff, Geanita Birks, Jack McGowen, Joe O'Malley, Paul Schettler, Stan Beachner, Jessica Miniuk, Tom Norris, Sr. Agnes Lero, Harolyn Smith Malott

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: If you are going to have a significant surgery, please call for Anointing of the Sick before you enter the hospital.

ST. FRANCIS LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, February 24th-5:30 p.m.

Altar Servers: Ariana, Brynlea, Ella

Lector: Ron Reeves

Eucharistic Minister: Jill Coomes

Gifts: M/M Mike Brown

Rosary: Nohemy Brewer

Sacristans: Ron Reeves

Sunday, February 25th-10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Ava, Cassie, Anderson

Lector: Don Smith

Eucharistic Minister: Jamie Aday

Gifts: M/M Joe Schoenhofer

Rosary: Tammi Norris

Sacristans: Mike/Kim McCracken

February Ushers:

Saturday-5:30 p.m.—Steve Grosdidier, Matt O'Hara, Keith VanLeeuwen

Sunday-10:00 a.m.—Luke Harmon, Broc Mattox, Kenny Paisley

Church Cleaners—February 24th—Jennifer Salazar, Marlene Clark, Mary Jane Gouvion

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Total Amount Needed

St. Francis \$4,618.00 \$5,525.87

St. Ambrose \$1,436.00 \$1,078.37

Please remember your parish in your Will.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2024 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Knox Aday	Jackson O'Brien	Bristol O'Brien
Rhett Born	Amelia Severt	Liam Seme
Daxen Burns	Ian Spielbusch	Daniel Sinclair
Amani LaForte	Bensen Aday	Hayden Sinclair
Sawyer Born	Brynlea Burns	Landon Swartz
Gabriel Harmon	Marisela Gomez	Cash Crager
Jace Hummel	Anderson Norris	Skyler Severt
Ella Hundley	Kori Norris	

CONFIRMATION will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 17, 2024 at the St. Francis Church. There will be a catered chicken dinner following Confirmation.

CYM SENIOR CITIZENS DINNER: The CYM will be hosting their annual Senior Citizens Dinner after 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 18th at the St. Francis Parish Hall.

ST. AMBROSE ALTAR SOCIETY will host a parish luncheon for members of the parish on Sunday, February 18th at 1:00 p.m. at the parish hall. All women of St. Ambrose parish are encouraged to pay the \$20 annual dues for 2024. Checks need to be payable to the St. Ambrose Altar Society and may be given to any of the officers: Laura Hoppas, Carol Schoenhofer, Lois Carlson or Cindy Lero.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will have a meeting Sunday, February 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Francis Hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS outing for altar servers and CYM members will be Sunday, February 25th. We will leave from the church parking lot after 10 a.m. Mass to go to Buffalo Wild Wings in Pittsburg to eat, then Holiday Lanes for bowling. RSVP to Dan Vitt 620-820-3690.

SR. WILHELMINA LANCASTER IN GOWER, MO: Sharon Witzell, Coordinator of Seasoned Servant Ministry at the Office of Marriage and Family Life, has organized a bus trip to visit Sister Wilhelmina Lancaster in Gower, MO. This is for SEK area parishes. The date is Thursday, April 25, 2024. This trip is being offered by the Office of Marriage and Family Life for Catholic Adults in SEK. The cost is \$60.00 per person and pick up and drop offs will be in Parsons at the Southeast corner of the Walmart parking lot at 8:15 a.m. and at the Labette Community College of Cherokee at 9:00 a.m. Bring money for lunch at the Golden Corral, snacks and a tip for the bus driver. Register by April 1st. Pay online with a credit card at southeastkssrwilhelmina.eventbrite.com or write a check for \$60.00 made out to the Catholic Diocese of Wichita and mail before April 1st to The Office of Marriage and Family Life, 424 N. Broadway, Wichita, KS 67202. You may also contact Marlene Clark for questions at 620-687-4401.



LENTEN REGULATIONS: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

Fasting is obligatory from age 18 until 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Abstinence from meat is binding upon Catholics from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.



THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be on Fridays at 6:00 p.m. at St. Francis Church and St. Ambrose Church. Fr. Theodore will lead the Stations every other week for each parish. The K of C 760 will lead at St. Francis and St. Ambrose on the alternating weeks.

HOLY WEEK CHOIR: As Lent returns, so does Choir Practice for Holy Week. Come join us. Please share your time on Monday, February 26th at 6:30 pm.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: There will be PSR classes on Wednesday, February 21st from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the class rooms.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the family and friends of Mike Doherty, who passed away on February 15, 2024. *Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. And may all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be at St. Francis on Wednesdays from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Adoration at St. Ambrose will be on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. For those who are unable to make a regular commitment, you are welcome to drop in anytime during Adoration to make a visit. *"On the Cross Jesus said 'I thirst'. From the Blessed Sacrament Jesus continues to say to each of us 'I thirst'. He thirsts for our personal love, our intimacy, our union with Him in the Blessed Sacrament."* —St. Mother Teresa

