

THE 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 21, 2018

Sat.	1-20	5:30 p.m.	<i>The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + Barbara Seiwert
Sun.	1-21	8:00 a.m.	<i>The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	1-21	10:00 a.m.	<i>The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + Regina Smith
Mon.	1-22	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Joan Schoenhofer
Tue.	1-23	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Charlie VanLeeuwen
Wed.	1-24	6:25 p.m.	(St. Francis) + Ryan Beachner
Thur.	1-25	8:30 a.m.	<i>The Conversion of St. Paul The Apostle</i> (St. Ambrose) + Mary Suarez
Fri.	1-26	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Verl Diskin
Sat.	1-27	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) For loved one's return to the faith
Sat.	1-27	5:30 p.m.	<i>The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + George & Bill Fager
Sun.	1-28	8:00 a.m.	<i>The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Ambrose) + Mary Jo Maher
Sun.	1-28	10:00 a.m.	<i>The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS: Sat. 4:30 p.m.—5:20 p.m. at St. Francis & 30 minutes before daily & Sunday Masses

St. Ambrose Church

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion: Bill Schoenhofer

Lector: Cindy Lero

Server: Paul Irelan

Gifts: John & Linda Schoenhofer

Rosary: Doris

Ushers for January: Bill & Nancy Schoenhofer

Donuts and Coffee for January 28th: Lois & Ruby

PARISH YOUTH DAY & THE FEAST OF ST. DON BOSCO

Next Sunday, January 28th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass we will celebrate the Parish Youth Day and the Feast of St. Don Bosco. This will be a special Mass for the children & families. We request all families with children especially families with PSR students and CYM youth to attend this Mass for your Sunday obligation. All families with children should sit in the front pews. There will be pizza and ice cream served in the parish hall after Mass. Everyone from both parishes are invited to join us for Mass and lunch!

St. Francis Church

Lector & Song Leaders:

Sat. Peggy McAtee & Jennifer

Sun. PSR & Kelli Bradshaw

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion:

Sat. Mary Jean Zandler

Sun. Terry Diskin

Altar Servers:

Sat. Easton, Hayden, Austin

Sun. Katelin, Anna, Emily

Gifts:

Sat. M/M Mike Schoenhofer

Sun. PSR Students

Rosary Leaders:

Sat. Jane Anne Beachner

Sun. Jim Hofer

Church Cleaners for January 26th:

Maggie Westhoff, Crystal McGowen,

Jamie Gonsalves, Merlinda Ewan,

Becky Vitt

Ushers for January:

Sat. Dennis Duling, Mike Schoenhofer, Keith VanLeeuwen

Sun. Jamie Bradshaw, Mike McCracken, Dan Vitt

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH is the Feast Day of The Conversion of Saint Paul The Apostle.

TAKING DOWN THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AT ST. FRANCIS CHURCH will be TODAY Sunday, January 21st starting at 1:00 p.m. All help is appreciated!

ST. FRANCIS PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION will be held this Wed. starting with Mass at 6:25 p.m. and classes to follow in the classrooms at 7p.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE for our 2nd graders will be Wednesday, February 28th. Parents, please make sure your child knows how to say the "Act of Contrition" prayer, and studies the "How to go to confession" form at home.

2018 CONFIRMATION 9th & 10th Grade PSR Class important dates to remember: Our Confirmation Retreat will be held at the Newman Center in Pittsburg, Ks. On Saturday, February 17, 2018. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be given by Bishop Kemme on Saturday, February 24th at the 5:30 p.m. Mass. More details to come. Parents, we have been studying this sacrament since September and each student has brought home information about requirements on choosing a sponsor, saint's name and stewardship projects. Please see that your son or daughter is completing these items for receiving this sacrament.

STEWARDSHIP OUR GIFTS: WHO ARE YOU FOLLOWING? "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him. Today's gospel reveals the source of our current Stewardship theme, and a most significant passage in the life of stewards. We have each been called to abandon our nets and follow Jesus. What are those "nets" in your life that are keeping you from giving your all to God? Is it your work? Your relationships? Your money? Whatever it is, it's holding you back. It is time to do as Simon and Andrew did. Abandon the nets. Follow Jesus. Discover God's plan for you!

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to Judy Burns and family in the death of her brother Dean Holsinger, who passed away January 12th. Also to Claudine Westhoff and family in the death of her son, Eric Matthew Westhoff, who passed away January 13th.

IMPROVEMENTS TO ST. FRANCIS CHURCH GROUNDS In order to make our church garden and grounds even more beautiful and safe, a lighting project is under way! Approximately 14 lamp posts will line the sidewalks of the garden including the sidewalk to Prairie Mission Retirement Village. Additional lighting will also be added between the church and the church rectory to ensure the safety of our PSR children on Wednesday evenings. During this season of giving, please consider a donation to help complete this project. The estimated cost is \$15,000. Donations may be mailed to the church rectory or left in the weekend collections. Be sure to earmark your donation for the "lighting project". Envelopes for the project may be found in the back of the church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

January 21st—St. Francis Finance Committee will meet at 6:00 p.m. at the St. Francis Rectory.

January 28th—St. Ambrose Finance Committee will meet at 6:00 p.m. at the St. Ambrose Rectory.

February 11th—St. Francis Parish Council will meet at 6:00 p.m. at the St. Francis Rectory.

February 18th—St. Ambrose Parish Council will meet at 6:00 p.m. at the St. Ambrose Rectory.

THANK YOU: The family of Delia Seiwert would like to thank the Altar Society for the delicious meal served after the memorial service. Also, we would like to thank all of Delia's friends for their heartfelt condolences. The great outpouring of kindness has deeply touched us. Delia was a kind and gentle person with deep faith. We will all miss her but know she is in God's beautiful heaven smiling down on all of us.

ST. AMBROSE ALTAR SOCIETY: Members of St. Ambrose Parish who will be celebrating a 25th wedding anniversary or any anniversary after that on the five year mark, are asked to let Kim Spielbusch, Altar Society President, or any of the other officers know the anniversary being celebrated in 2018 to be recognized at the Sunday coffee, February 11, World Marriage Day.

The Altar Society Officers will be preparing a Valentine Dinner the evening of February 11 at St. Ambrose Parish hall at 5:00 p.m. Reservations are required. Those planning to attend need to sign up at the entrance to St. Ambrose Church by February 4th. Cost is \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per individual.

Ladies of St. Ambrose Parish are reminded that 2018 Altar Society dues of \$20 per year are now due. Please give dues to one of the Altar Society officers.

St. Ambrose Altar Society will meet, Sunday, January 28, following Mass.

Parish Office will be closed Thursday and Friday this week.

PARISH MINISTRIES SIGN IN SHEET There is a Parish Ministries sign in sheet at the entrance of the St. Francis Church. If you are the Lector, Extra Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Server, Usher or taking up the gifts, please sign the sheet as you come into Mass so that the Ushers know that each Ministry is covered.

Prayers are asked for the following: Carter Roberts, Kathy Westhoff, Justin Venneman, Sue Shively, Pat Moore, Vence Segreaves, Sheri Bell, Adrienne Smith, Bailey Shaw, Billy Brown, Adam Westhoff, Stephanie Thompson, Don George, Lisa Edwards, Janey Beachner, Bryan Whelan, Ron Lallemand, Donna Little, Leonard Kennedy, Gary Brown, Teresa (Boone) Neff, Sue Baldwin, Susie Coeme, Rosie Brogan

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please call the parish office at 449-2224.

Stewardship of Treasure

St. Francis \$4,994.90

St. Ambrose \$366.00

Please remember your parish in your will.