

THE 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

Sat.	9-8	5:30 p.m.	<i>The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + Delia Seiwert
Sun.	9-9	8:00 a.m.	<i>The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	9-9	10:00 a.m.	<i>The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + Charlie VanLeeuwen
Mon.	9-10	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) + Clarita Bryant
Tue.	9-11		NO MASS
Wed.	9-12	6:30 p.m.	(St. Francis) + Phyllis McAtee
Thur.	9-13	8:30 a.m.	(St. Ambrose) + Stacie Beachner
Fri.	9-14	7:30 a.m.	<i>The Exaltation of The Holy Cross</i> (St. Francis) + Frank Lero
Sat.	9-15	7:30 a.m.	(St. Francis) For loved one's return to the faith
Sat.	9-15	5:30 p.m.	<i>The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + John & Loraine Westhoff
Sun.	9-16	8:00 a.m.	<i>The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Ambrose) People of the Parish
Sun.	9-16	10:00 a.m.	<i>The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> (St. Francis) + Betty Westhoff

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: Bob Vitt

Server: Jack McGowen

Gifts: Brian & Carol Schoenhofer

Rosary Leader: Doris

Ushers for September: Rusty & Cindy Lero

Donuts & Coffee for September 16th: Rusty, Cindy, Mona

Dear Parents or Guardians, God's grace and peace be with you! The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops requires all Catholic religious education programs to create and maintain a safe environment for our children.

The Diocese of Wichita uses the *VIRTUS Safe Environment* program. This is part of our ongoing effort to train youth to recognize inappropriate physical behavior and to protect themselves from potential abuse.

This program is not intended to be a substitute for the responsibility of parents in educating their children in the area of human sexuality and safety. Rather this program equips teachers, catechists and youth ministry leaders to aid parents in ensuring that all children have the tools they need to recognize potential danger and develop skills to protect themselves from harm. Since this training is mandatory, in the event that a child should be absent from the day of the lesson, the materials will be sent home for you to cover with your child(ren).

We encourage you to read the "overview" and "lesson" plan to be aware of the natural of the *VIRTUS Safe Environment* program. You may find these documents at www.virtus.org and click on the "touching Safety Program" in the left hand bar. "Touching Safety Program" and the "Safe Environment" program are two titles for the same program.

St. Francis Church

Lector & Music Leaders:

Sat. Cindy Schoenhofer & Jennifer

Sun. Joe Smith & Bob Schoenhofer

Extr. Minister of Holy Communion:

Sat. Keith Smith

Sun. Kenny Crager & Jene' Noe

Altar Servers:

Sat. Regan, Elise, Caroline

Sun. Chase, Chandler, Mason

Gifts:

Sat. M/M Dennis Vitt

Sun. M/M Rick Coomes

Rosary Leaders:

Sat. Mary Jean Zandler

Sun. Tammi Norris

Ushers for September:

Sat. Mike Brown, Steve Grosdidier, Don Vitt

Sun. Noah Winter, Jamie Bradshaw, Mike McCracken

Church Cleaners for September 14th:

Jane O'Byran, Julie O'Hara, Jeanette Severt

FRIDAY, SEPT. 14TH is the Feast of The Exaltation of The Holy Cross.

ST. AMBROSE ANNUAL FALL DINNER will be Sunday, October 7, 2018. The Altar Society will have a meeting next Sunday after Mass to finalize the Dinner plans.

ST. AMBROSE PARISH is in need of volunteers for rosary leader prior to Sunday Masses and substitutes for adoration on Thursday morning.

FALL FESTIVAL The St. Francis Parish Fall Festival and Harvest Sale will be Sunday, November 4th. Please be thinking about what you can make or donate to the Fancy Stand and Harvest Sale.

STEWARDSHIP OUR GIFTS: WHO ARE YOU FOLLOWING? James writes in his letter how generous of a gift faith is: In James 2:5, he wrote: "Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" Discipleship does not have to be complicated, and it is not reserved for the elite. In the Gospel today, we see proof of this in a man whose ears and mouth are "opened" so that he can hear and speak plainly. In a physical sense, his handicap was removed. In a spiritual sense, he was freed from the deafening lies of the world that were inhibiting his being "fully alive" as a disciple. Faithful stewards realize that to be "fully alive" means putting the world aside and living only for the riches of the promised kingdom realized both now and in eternity.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION will be held this Wednesday, September 12th with Mass starting at 6:30 p.m. and classes to follow in the classrooms at 7:00 p.m. *A volunteer is needed for a high school helper in the 11th & 12th grade classroom. Please call Suzie Diskin at 449-2783 or 423-0615 as soon as possible to help.*

COMMUNITY-WIDE AGENCY FAIR SUPPORTING PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES Representatives from local agencies who assist persons with disabilities will be available on Saturday, September 29 from 9:30—11:30 a.m. at the St. Patrick Catholic School gymnasium in Wichita to answer questions regarding services and support. Questions? Contact Myra at 316-269-3900.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Congratulations to the Chris and Amanda Dent Family for being selected as "The Family of The Month", to Dan Spielbusch for being selected as "The Knight of The Month", and to Austin O'Hara for "The Youth Sponsorship Award".

ERIE FEDERATED CHURCH invites members of St. Ambrose Parish to attend the Fall Salad Supper hosted by the UMW and EFC Women's Group of the Erie Federated Church....Wednesday September 12, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP by September 11th. Phone: 620-244-5372. Invitation is open to Guys and Gals. Bring a salad and table service. Program to follow the meal.

GREENBUSH DAY: Come help us celebrate our 25th year of Greenbush Day and hog roast (11-1:30) on Sunday, September 16th. Partnering with Education Service Center with free activities for the youth from 11-3.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS will be Sunday, October 14th at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception in Wichita. We are inviting couples from all parishes who are celebrating anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 and those celebrating 50 or more years of marriage. Please RSVP by October 8 to the Office of Marriage and Family Life, call 316-685-5240.

ITALY AND LOURDES PILGRIMAGE APRIL 2019!

For a brochure contact Suzie Diskin at 449-2783 or call 800-842-4842 or visit

www.selectinternationaltours.com (go to schedule tours, pick Italy or France then scroll down) There will be an informational meeting today, September 9th after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Rectory basement.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA will meet Tuesday, September 11 at St. Francis Hall beginning at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will open with a spiritual reading about the Rosary by Chancellor, Lois Corn. Daughters of the Month for August was Alice Beachner. A reminder D of I members to be thinking about our Scholarship awards. More information forthcoming. A fun September meeting will be hosted by Jolene Born, Linda DeGarmo, Joan Davied and Jane Schibi. Come and enjoy the fun evening.

Prayers are asked for the following: Kathy Westhoff, Justin Venneman, Sue Shively, Pat Moore, Vence Segreaves, Sheri Bell, Adrienne Smith, Bailey Shaw, Billy Brown, Adam Westhoff, Stephanie Thompson, Lisa Edwards, Janey Beachner, Bryan Whelan, Ron Lallemand, Donna Little, Sue Baldwin, Pat Diskin, Mary Ann Dougherty, Janice (Ward) Norris, Jane Anne Beachner, Dalton Noakes, W.W. Holland, Kenny Owens, Jerry Beachner, Chuck Westhoff, Lu Reeves, Lou Severt, Josie Oplotnik, Isla Taylor, Charlie Gottlob, Delma Pillot, Wayne Kanute, Gene McAtee, Nina Madl, Dorothy Petty, Diane Davis, Jason Diskin, Sandra Schoenhofer, Doris Kennedy, Helen George, Phyllis Coomes, Debbie Redfern, Ralph Gouvion, Mary Madl Johnson

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

Stewardship of Treasure

St. Francis \$5,321.75
St. Ambrose \$624.00

Please remember your parish in your will.