

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS—May 6th—May 14th

Saturday—5pm +Bernard & Jeannie LaForge (LaForge Family)
Sunday— 8am People of St. Patrick's Parish
 10am Rikki James
Monday—7am +Steven Wilhoft (Kapaun's Men)
Tuesday—8am Joe & Jennifer Windsor (Chris Allen)

Wednesday—5:30 pm +Jim & Kathleen Hills (Rick & Kathy Thurman)
Thursday—8am David George (Lisa Harriger)
Friday—7am +Mira Groff (Joe Dwyer)
 Next Weekends Intentions:
Saturday—5pm Jim and Janie Schibi
Sunday— 8am Mother's Day Novena
 10am People of St. Patrick's Parish



*Eternal Rest Grant Unto her, O Lord: **Jo Ann O'Malley**, mother of James O'Malley And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon her. May she Rest in Peace. Amen.*

PLEASE PRY FOR:
Carter John Roberts



THE CATHOLIC SIDE

Jesus Christ is Risen, Indeed He is Risen, Alleluia!

Deacon Labenz sent me a note asking to put the following in the bulletin:

"Mr. & Mrs. Anthony J. Labenz & Family Joyfully announce and request the honor of your presence at the Ordination of their son and brother Rev. Mr. Andrew Joseph Labenz to the Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ at 10 am on Saturday, 27 May 2017 at The Church of the Magdalene 12626 E. 21st. N. Wichita, KS."

"You are cordially invited to Join Rev. Fr. Andrew Joseph Labenz in celebrating his 1st Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving at 11am on Sunday, 28 May 2017 at Church of the Holy Cross, 2600 N. Plum, Hutchinson, KS. A light reception will follow the Mass."

You are more than welcome to attend one or both of these joyous celebrations. They will be crowded, so do plan on arriving early. If you are unable to make these events, soon-to-be Fr. Labenz will return to St. Patrick's on 10 & 11 June for the Holy Masses here.

Our very own **James M. Schibi** will be ordained to the order of Deacon on the 20th of May at the Church of the Magdalene in Wichita. The men to be ordained deacons are not allowed to send out invitations to their ordinations, so that is why I am putting this in the bulletin. It is a diocesan event, so anyone is welcome to attend. It will be another historic ordination, since James, like Deacon Labenz, is in a class of 10 men. These two ordinations classes are the biggest the Diocese of Wichita has ever had. I highly encourage you to make the trip to Wichita for this grand celebration. That weekend, then Deacon Schibi, will preach at all of the Holy Masses here at St. Patrick's. Then, he will be off to Blessed Sacrament Church for his summer assignment.

Please keep these men in your prayers. It is an exciting time for them and their families, our parish, and really for the whole diocese. Along with Deacon Labenz, the following men will be ordained to the **Sacred Priesthood of Jesus Christ**: Reverend Mistery Andrew Bergkamp, J.D. Betzen, Jacob Carlin, Kyle Dugan, Adam Grelinger, Edmund Herzog, Andrew Hoffman, Clay Kimbro, & Jorge Lopez. Along with James Schibi, the following men will be ordained to the Order of Deacons: Mistery Michael Brungardt, Garrett Burns, Isaac Coulter, Matthew Davied, Nicholas Jurgensmeyer, Michael Kerchen, Christopher Martin, Todd Shepherd, & Derek Thome.

Just a reminder that we are hosting Prayer & Action this summer. It is a wonderful diocesan program where teenagers from around the diocese will come and spend a week in Parsons praying and working. There were sign-up sheets in the bulletin a few weeks ago. Please, if you have a project that you would like them to do, turn in the sheet. The kids are coming to pray and work, and they definitely want to work. The weeks we are hosting are July 9- 14, July 16-21, and July 23-28.

Also by way of reminder, we do now have the capabilities of offering an electronic way to tithe called ACH. If you are interested or want to know more about it, please call Carilyn at the Rectory.

May our holy patron, St. Patrick intercede for us. St. Joseph, pray for us.

Our Lady, Queen of Heaven and earth, pray for us.

Peace in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Borkenhagen

PARISH NEWS

From the Principal's Desk—

Congratulations to our SPCS Track Team. They worked hard to increase their speed and strength and it paid off.

Middle School Mineral Belt League Track Awards

Boys 75 Meter Hurdles, Russell McCarty, 3rd Place
 Boys Discuss, Luke Forbes, 3rd Place
 Boys High Jump, Ethan Wheat, 2nd Place
 Boys Medley Relay, Luke Forbes, Kameren Waun, Russell McCarty, Eathen Wheat, 2nd Place
 Girls 100 Meter Dash, Ashante Smith, 3rd Place
 Girls 200 Meter Run, Lauren Forbes, 2nd Place
 Girls 200 Meter Run, Ashante Smith, 3rd Place
 Girls 4x100 Meter Relay, Ashante Smith, Lauren Forbes, Jaidyn Shultz, Lauren Giager 3rd Place
 Girls High Jump, Lauren Forbes, 2nd Place
 Girls Long Jump, Lauren Forbes, 1st Place
 Thanks to the parents and coaches for all your support, Emilio Aita

THERE'S STILL TIME...—TO GET YOUR MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA MASS ENVELOPES IN! HONOR YOUR MOTHER/GRANDMOTHER WITH A NOVENA OF MASSES. FILL OUT THE MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA ENVELOPE AND PUT IT IN THE COLLECTION PLATE. DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP A MASS CARD TO GIVE TO YOUR LOVED ONE AT THE RECTORY.

SUBMIT PRAYER AND ACTION FORMS NOW!—

Do you or someone you know need a little extra help with maintaining your home? Crews of Catholic teens and chaperones will be in Parsons July 9th-28th to joyfully assist you in getting on top of these tasks. The teams are equipped to weed, mow, trim, and clear overgrowth. They can also prep and paint smaller (1 or 2 story) houses, garages, sheds, fences and decks. Many hands make light work! Let these energetic young people demonstrate their care for you in this practical way.

Auction Kick-Off Party—Come join in on the excitement of planning the 11th Annual St. Patrick Catholic School Dinner and Auction. The Kick-Off party will be Monday, May 15th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Appetizers and beverages will be served. Anyone is welcome to help. Child care provided. Invite a friend and come and enjoy!

Totus Tuus Host Families Needed—St. Patrick's Parish will be hosting Totus Tuus June 24th-30th. Housing for two young men and two young women is needed. If you are interested in hosting please contact the Rectory at 421-6762.

LUNCHES/DINNERS NEEDED—TOTUS TUUS WILL BE JUNE 24TH-JUNE 30TH. WE NEED TO PROVIDE LUNCH/DINNER EACH DAY FOR THE TEAM AT THE PARISH HALL. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PROVIDING A MEAL FOR FOUR TO SEVEN PEOPLE, PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY AT 421-6762.

SPEND ONE HOUR WITH OUR LORD! ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE

FOLLOWING HOURS: WED 3-4AM, THUR 9-10AM, THUR 11AM-12PM, FRI 8-9AM, FRI 2-3AM, SAT 2-3AM, SAT 10-11PM, SUN 12-1AM.

Stewarding our Gifts...

*"GO IN PEACE, GLORIFYING THE LORD BY YOUR LIFE."
 Fourth Sunday of Easter*

"Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." The Holy Spirit is moving in Peter's heart, and is using Peter to convert the hearts of thousands of people! He calls them (and us!) to denounce their sinfulness and turn to the Lord. Peter, who has undergone quite the conversion himself, is setting a beautiful example of Stewardship as he recognizes the gift he has been given and he allows the Spirit to work in him. In the Gospel of John, we see the reward of a life lived for God in Jesus words: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." Like Peter, the good steward finds his abundance in the Lord.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PATRICK'S THIS WEEK:

Sun May 7	*RCIA Class -World View	9:15am
	*HS Senior Graduation Mass -Reception to follow in Hall after Mass	10am
	*Men's Basketball	8:30pm
Mon May 8	*Rosary/Chaplet in the Church	6:30am
Tue May 9	*Rosary/Chaplet in the Church *Cursillo Group Meets	7:30am 5:30pm
Wed May 10	*Rosary/Chaplet in the Church *Cursillo Group Meets *Mass *Sports Banquet *CYM Meeting	5:00pm 5:15pm 5:30pm 6:00pm 7:00pm
Thur May 11	*Rosary/Chaplet in the Church *Theology on Tap	7:30am 6:30pm
Fri May 12	*Day of Penance: abstinence from meat, prayer and works of mercy, reading of Sacred Scripture for an outpouring of God's mercy and the Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and strength upon the Church *Rosary in the Church	7:30am
Sat May 13	*Rosary in the Church *Latin Mass *Cursillo Group Meets *Confessions	6:30am 7am 7:40am 3:30pm
Sun May 14	*Mother's Day	

ACH CONTRIBUTIONS:

As we announced a couple of weeks ago, you are now able to have your church contributions automatically withdrawn from your checking account and deposited to the church account. This process is now in operation. We thank those who have already signed up. This is a very easy way to make your contributions. Simply fill out the form, attach a void check, and turn it in to the parish office. Forms are available in the office or on the STPATRICKSPARSONS.ORG web-site under the Home tab; parish documents. If you have any questions, please contact Carilyn in the office.

PARSONS HIGH SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE—All are invited May 10, 2017 at 6 PM, to be a part of and share in this send off for a new chapter in their lives. Pray for all our Seniors this week as they embark on a new chapter in their lives. May God bless them as our prayers go with them.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH:
 APRIL 29TH—APRIL 30TH**

NEEDED: \$17,081.46 RECEIVED: \$10,027.00

Altar Servers:

May 13—5pm M Bogner/K Nance/B Chavez
 May 14—8am I Reitemeier/J O'Hara/C Buller
 10am Dylan G/A Farris/ L Wolgamott/ J Schibi/Dawson G

Extraordinary Ministers:

May 13—5pm Vicki Templeton
 May 14—8am Don Alexander
 10am Harry Heppler

Lector:

May 13—5pm Nick Pfeifer
 May 14—8am Megan Rexwinkle
 10am Allison Colson

Offertory Gifts:

May 13—5pm Steve and Sheila Ramsey
 May 14—8am Dan and Teresa Bogner/Mille Bogner
 10am Emilio and Janie Aita

Ushers:

May 13—5pm Mike & Janell Carson/P Yanez/M McKinney
 May 14—8am David & Karen Wheat/John & Maggie Keene
 10am Richard & Mary Jo Fitzwater Family/J Heppler

Money Counters:

May 13 & 14—Jody & Joan Thompson
 Lou Ann Jones & Marjorie Troy

College Final Week: Please pray for all our college students as they finish up with finals in their spring semesters. The prayers of your parish family are with you.

FYI—LISTEN TO SUNDAY HOMILIES ON THE PARISH WEBSITE. THEY ARE ACCESSIBLE FROM THE HOME PAGE—WWW.STPATRICKSPARSONS.ORG

MAKING A TRIP TO WALMART?—Then call Hannah's Promise at 605-6052 and offer their residents a ride. Transportation is limited, so a lift anywhere would be appreciated. A good female mentor is also needed. Volunteer today!

FORMED.ORG NEW SPANISH CONTENT—IN CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, WE HAVE ADDED ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS, MOVIES, AND TALKS IN SPANISH THAT WILL ENTERTAIN, ENGAGE, AND INSPIRE WITH THE BEAUTY AND WONDER OF OUR FAITH. CHECK OUT THESE TITLES: *PERDONADO: EL PODER TRANSFORMADOR DE LA CONFESION, GUADALUPE: EL MILAGRO Y EL MENSAJE, NAVIDAD EN ROMA, AND GUADALUPE: EL MISTERIO DEL VERBO ENCARNADO*. LOG ON TO FORMED.ORG AND ENTER PARISH ACCESS CODE N4XHFG TO ACCESS THESE

HOLY FAMILY CAMP—Volunteers are needed for the 28th Annual Holy Family Camp June 12th—16th at Camp Hiawatha in north Wichita. This is a week long faith experience for persons with disabilities. Go to <http://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/disabilities/documents/6893-holy-family-camp-2017-volunteer-application/file> or Contact Christina at 316-269-3900 x.170 for more details.

"KNIGHTLY" NEWS—

PRAYER AND ACTION 2017—a summer mission experience through the Office of Faith Formation for the Catholic Diocese of Wichita will take place July 9th—28th in Parsons. This program is for high schoolers who have completed 9th grade by summer. Registration is now open. Contact the office at OFF@CatholicDioceseofWichita.org.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY—Pray the Rosary & Chaplet daily with your parish community 30-minutes before the Holy Mass. If there is no Mass, it will be prayed at 7:30am. The intention is for an end to abortion and all sins against life and for the conversion of our nation back to God.



365 DAYS WITH MARY APP—

Download this free app and use the content for daily reflection on growing in mercy through prayer and reflection on Mary's example. Read the Daily Mercy quote and "Ponder" questions as a meditation after communion at Daily Mass. Download the app on your Android or Apple smart device today!



IMMACULEE ILIBAGIZA, RWANDAN GENOCIDE SURVIVOR—In 1994, members of the Hutu tribe in Rwanda took up arms against the Tutsi tribe. In only 100 days, the Hutu tribe slaughtered over 800,000 Tutsis using only spears, clubs and machetes. It was genocide, and few Tutsis survived. Immaculee Ilibagiza was one of the few, and almost all of her family and friends were killed. Immaculee will bring her message of faith and forgiveness through a retreat to The Church of the Blessed Sacrament in Wichita, Kansas on Friday, July 14th from 4-9pm and Saturday, July 15th from 8:30am-12:30pm. You may register online at www.Immaculee.com, call Blessed Sacrament Parish at 682-4557 or send in names and a check to Blessed Sacrament Parish, 124 N. Roosevelt, Wichita, Kansas 67208. Registration for one person is \$57.00 and for one person with a guest is \$76.00. We look

2017 Contribution Envelopes are in the Rectory.
Please stop by during business hours to pick them up.

YEARBOOK ADS—are being sold by the SPCS yearbook staff: \$25 for 1/4 pg., \$50 for 1/2 pg., and \$100 for full pg. Contact Carrie Manners at 778-3304.



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ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Month of Mary

GET ON TRACK WITH NFP—Have you been wanting to learn a method of Natural Family Planning (NFP) but didn't want to make the drive out of town to find an instructor? Now, you won't have to look beyond St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Parsons! Jackie Gorman will be teaching the Marquette Model II Introductory Class Thursday, September 8th from 6-7pm with the Group Session II meeting right after from 7:15-9pm in the Parish Hall. To register, please call (316)641-5446 or email jackie.mnfp@gmail.com. Sonja Schibi will be offering an Introductory Class to the CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare System on Tuesday, September 13th at 7pm in the Parish Hall. To register please call (307)760-2580 or email sonja.cmfc@gmail.com.

FERTILITYCARE AND NFP CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE RIGHT HERE IN PARSONS! SONJA HAS A FERTILITYCARE SERVICES INTRO CLASS THIS TUESDAY AND WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR JACKIE'S NEXT MARQUETTE MODEL II CLASS. SIGN-UP BY CONTACTING SONJA AT (307)760-2580 OR SONJA.CMFC@GMAIL.COM OR

BEING PRO-LIFE...WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE PRO-LIFE? EVERY HUMAN BEING MATTERS, AND WE OUGHT TO ACT ACCORDINGLY. BY PAUL STARK THE MEDIA OFTEN USE THE LABEL "ANTI-ABORTION" TO DESCRIBE PRO-LIFE ADVOCATES. IT'S TRUE THAT WE OPPOSE ABORTION-AND INFANTICIDE, EUTHANASIA AND EMBRYO-DESTRUCTIVE RESEARCH. BUT WE ARE ONLY AGAINST THOSE THINGS BECAUSE WE ARE FOR SOMETHING ELSE. WHAT WE ARE FOR: WHAT ARE WE FOR? WE ARE FOR THE PROPOSITION THAT HUMAN LIFE IS GOOD, THAT IT IS WORTH LIVING, THAT IT DESERVES RESPECT AND PROTECTION. WE ARE FOR THE PROPOSITION THAT EVERY HUMAN BEING HAS AN EQUAL WORTH AND DIGNITY-THAT

POPE PAUL VI INSTITUTE—RESOURCES IN BIOETHICS AND ACCEPTABLE REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHURCH'S TEACHING. THE HOME OF FERTILITYCARE AND NAPROTECHNOLOGY. IF YOU ARE SEARCHING FOR A NAPRO PROVIDER IN THE SOUTHEAST KANSAS AREA, CHECK OUT THIS

NEW CHILDREN'S MOVIES ON FORMED.ORG—11 AWARD-WINNING CHILDREN'S MOVIES NOW ON FORMED. THE SAINTS AND HEROES SERIES IS AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH. SAINTS AND HEROES MOVIES USE COMEDY, SONG, CAPTIVATING ILLUSTRATIONS, AND HEARTWARMING EMOTION TO TELL THE TALES OF SOME OF THE GREAT SAINTS AND EPIC HEROES OF THE FAITH. LOGGING ON IS EVEN EASIER NOW: GO TO THE PARISH WEBSITE AT WWW.STPATRICKSPARSONS.ORG AND CLICK ON

KATY DAYS PHOTO PROJECT—WE ARE PUTTING TOGETHER TWO SLIDE SHOWS OF PHOTOS TO SHOW DURING KATY DAYS. WE ARE LOOKING FOR PHOTOS OF PARSONIANS WHO WORKED ON THE MKT AND/OR SERVED IN ONE OF THE WORLD WARS. YOU CAN SCAN AND SEND PHOTOS TO KATYDAYSWVRRPROJECT@GMAIL.COM OR YOU CAN TAKE THEM TO CARSON-WALL FUNERAL HOME ANY WEEKDAY BETWEEN 9AM-4PM, WHERE THEY WILL BE SCANNED WHILE YOU WAIT. IT WILL ONLY TAKE A FEW MINUTES. THE IDEAL INFORMATION WE NEED WITH EACH PHOTO IS 1) NAME OF INDIVIDUAL (AND IF DESIRED, NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS STILL LIVING IN PARSONS AREA), 2) APPROXIMATE DATE, 3) IF MILITARY PHOTO—BRANCH OF ARMED FORCES, AND 4) IF RAILROAD PHOTO—SPECIFY MKT OR UP AND POSITION. DEADLINE IS MAY 5th, 2017. IF YOU HAVE ANY

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

BREAKFAST CLUB—MEETS ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT FOUR SQUARE CHURCH IN PARSONS FROM 9AM-10:30AM. THE BREAKFAST CLUB IS FOR CAREGIVERS OF INDIVIDUALS WITH A DEMENTIA ILLNESS LIKE ALZHEIMERS. COME VISIT AND ENJOY A FREE BREAKFAST. IT IS POSSIBLE TO COPE WITH THE

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL IS ASKING FOR DONATIONS OF BRAUM'S LARGE PAPER GROCERY BAGS WITH HANDLES. THEY MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT ST. VINCENT'S WEEKDAYS FROM 10AM-12PM AND 2-4PM.

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Why Do Catholics...?

...MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS?

(FROM [HTTP://WWW.HSCCATL.COM/WHYDO THAT.ASPX](http://WWW.HSCCATL.COM/WHYDO THAT.ASPX))

The sign of the Cross is common among both Catholics and Orthodox. It is considered a sign of reverence and a remembrance that Jesus died on the Cross to bring salvation to the world. It simply fell out of use among other churches following the Protestant Revolt.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT MARY

Q: WHY DO CATHOLICS PRAY TO MARY WHEN WE CAN APPEAL DIRECTLY TO GOD?

A: CATHOLICS, OF COURSE, CAN PRAY DIRECTLY TO GOD, THE HOLY TRINITY. VATICAN II, THOUGH, RECOGNIZED THE "CLOSE AND INDISSOLUBLE TIE" THAT UNITES MARY TO HER DIVINE SON (LUMEN GENTIUM, NO. 53). MARY IS INTIMATELY UNITED TO HER DIVINE SON, AND SHE IS "OUR MOTHER IN THE ORDER OF GRACE" (LUMEN GENTIUM, NO. 61). PRAYERS TO MARY ARE ESPECIALLY EFFECTIVE IN UNITING US MORE CLOSELY TO JESUS. AS ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT TEACHES IN "TRUE DEVOTION TO MARY," MARY IS "THE SAFEST, EASIEST, SHORTEST, AND MOST PERFECT WAY OF APPROACHING JESUS." JESUIT FATHER FRANCISCO SUÁREZ EXPLAINED

PRAYER IS OUR MOST POWERFUL TOOL—EVERY 1st Saturday of the month we are committed to being in prayer. Our prayer intention is that God will guide us in our efforts to end abortion in Wichita, in Kansas, in America, and around the world. This event is typically well-attended by Catholics, however, people of all Faiths are invited to join us:

WHAT: A 20-Decade Holy Rosary with inspirational Pro-Life meditations

WHEN: Saturday, January 7th at 9:00 AM.

WHERE: South Wind Abortion Facility, 5107 East Kellogg Ave in Wichita, Kansas

WHY: Between 7,000-8,000 babies are killed by abortion in Kansas each year. Kansas still has three operating abortion facilities, South Wind in Wichita, Planned Parenthood and Center for Women's Health in Overland Park.

PILGRIM STATUE OF FATIMA IN WICHITA—

The World Apostolate of Fatima's Centennial U.S. Tour for Peace is underway and coming to the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) Novitiate House in Colwich, KS. The historic tour, marking the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima, will feature the world-famous International Pilgrim Virgin Statue, traveling worldwide for nearly 70 years. The Sisters of the IHM are hosting the tour on May 7th beginning at 11am and concluding at 7:30pm. Please go to www.fatimatourforpeace.com for a detailed schedule of events. It will be an extraordinary occasion of healing, hope and grace. Please join us that day to hear the story of Fatima and venerate this beautiful statue that set out from Fatima in 1947 to bring the graces of Fatima to all who might not ever be able to make a pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal. We bring the pilgrimage to you! Hundreds and favors and graces, including cures, and countless conversions are associated with the image. The presence of this special Statue (sculpted by Jose Thedim in 1947, based on Sr. Lucia's description of her encounters with Our Lady) is a