

Dear Parishioners,

Happy New Year! I hope all of you have had a blessed Christmas and New Year's, and I thank you again for thinking of me! I have greatly appreciated your cards, gifts, goodies and above all, your prayers as we journey together into this New Year of 2019.

As the New Year begins, people often make New Year's resolutions for all sorts of things, such as beginning a diet, exercising more or at least starting to exercise, by making the leap to quit smoking, or to cut back on this or that...

And yet, as we begin this New Year, it's easy for us to forget one area of our lives which we may really need to re-evaluate, and maybe make New Year's resolutions for – that being our spiritual lives. After all, we're not called to sit still in our faith, but rather to seek Him, to draw closer to Jesus in this New Year. And so with this in mind, how can you grow closer to God in this upcoming year of 2019?

Maybe it could be setting the goal of beginning to praying each day...even if that is simply starting with praying 3 Hail Mary's each morning and 3 Hail Mary's each night...

Maybe it could be making the commitment to read Scripture on a regular basis...such as the Gospel of Luke...

Maybe it could be making an extra effort to work on a particular temptation or sin that's currently in your life...

Maybe it could be setting the goal of praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Rosary, or even a decade of the Rosary on a daily basis...

Maybe it could be making the commitment to spend time with the Lord each week in the Church or Adoration Chapel (when it re-opens)...personal time with Jesus Himself!

Maybe it could be taking the opportunity to learn more about our Catholic faith...such as through one of our Bible studies or faith formation classes....

And the list can go on and on! And so, as we begin this New Year, as we try to determine how we're going to improve our health and our very selves, let's take the opportunity to also examine our spiritual lives and our relationship with God. **How will you grow closer to God in this upcoming year of 2019?** Let us take this question to heart, that we may truly become more the people God has created us to be.

May God bless you and your families in this New Year!

In Christ,

Father Michael Linnebur, Pastor

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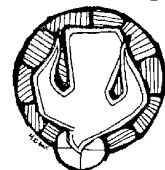
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Glory
to the Father



the
Son



and
the Holy Spirit



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to pray for those fighting or recovering from illness.



Caroline Honeyman, Julie Dillman's Mother
 Anna Huerter
 Ron Gouvion's father, Ralph
 Wilma Westhoff
 Connie Jimenez
 Cary Brady's 10 year old cousin
 Sherri Watson's nephew, Andy Rausch
 Sean & Kerry Bowman's granddaughter,
 Addlee Grace
 Lori Ohl's friend, Tonya
 Mike & Laurie Johnson's granddaughter, Addie
 Cecil Watts
 Pete & Angie Zaragosa's daughter, Melissa
 John & Linda Ward's great nephew
 Henry Hood, the youngest son of Victor and Janalin
 Hood
 Wendell Leis
 Holly Donaldson
 Flo Honas' brother, Verlin
 Tom Frederick's daughter, Janet
 Marsha Gean
 Cecil & Kathy Watt's daughter, Marcia Freeman
 Julia Peter's niece, JJ O'Toole
 Former parishioner, Mary
 Charlie Boaz
 Donald & Lila's grandson, Anthony
 Jeremy Gant
 Cyrilla Cooper's nephew, Gerald Bienhoff

Ruthie Zimmerman's grandson, Camdon DeWitt &
 family
 Gary & Wanda Friederich's great grandson, Caden
 Patty Ungles cousin, Jerry Walker
 Michael Horgan's aunt
 Linda Springer's nephew, Keenan
 Rachel Mueller
 Don Papst
 Chris & Jean Flores' great niece
 Verla Bryant's daughter, Tammy
 Jack Haight
 Rosalie Wilkinson
 Barb Sigler's brother
 Linda Ward's niece
 Nancy Bollig
 Amy Ornelas' cousin's 12 yr old daughter
 Joe Gobe
 Martha Hendrix's nephew Allen
 Ralph Berthot
 Dan Roecker's sister, Cathy Norris
 Linda Orth
 Don Wolken
 Edna Morris' sister, Dolores Peters
 Ted Ponce's daughter, Angela
 Flo Honas grandson, Josh
 Jim Farrell
 Larry Truster's daughter, Lisa
 Martha Hendrix friend
 Robert and Audrey Matlock's sister in law, Trish

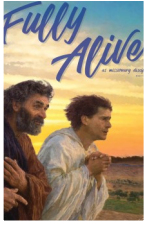
PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Dan Vernon, Adrienne Smith's dad, December 5, 2018

Mary Sheehan, Pat Taylor's sister in law, December 9, 2018

Anna Huerter, December 15, 2018





THE STEWARDSHIP WAY OF LIFE

By Duane Knapp

During the month of December, Stewardship in action was displayed at St. Patrick's Church. As usual, there were so many instances through which we displayed our love for God and our parish family. We need to be aware of the many good stewards who supported the events and masses during the Christmas month of December. Without their sharing of Time, Talent and Treasure, those special moments could not occur. Whether school events or the many special masses, a lot of parishioners supported or helped making it a beautiful Christmas season. The decorations in the church displayed our love for the birth of our Lord. That takes a great deal of time and patience. The Music Liturgy for the many masses glorified God and our musicians hope to provide our parishioners a prayerful atmosphere to celebrate the birth of Jesus. We were provided a Mission to re-center our spiritual life and many opportunities to repent of our sins.

Our Stewardship Council wish to thank all those who helped make this a very holy and spiritual season. For the New Year-may God bless each of us at St. Patrick's Catholic Church



Knights of Columbus

by Michael Horgan

During the month of January the Knights of Columbus have several activities scheduled.

The first activity is the deep cleaning of the hall at 6:00pm on Thursday, January 17th.

The second activity is the local free throw contest scheduled for Sunday, January 20th at the school gym.

Lastly the Knights will be making enchiladas on Friday, January 25th beginning at 6:30pm. The enchiladas will be sold for \$18.00 per dozen.

Help will be needed for all three activities.

Thank You

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St. Patrick Altar Society

By Linda Springer

We would like to start out with a huge "THANK YOU" to so many from our Parish for your tithing of food or service for the funeral dinners in the last year. I wish everyone could see how appreciative the families are to have a place to gather & have a hot meal to enjoy. That is one of the many rewards received by our Altar Society. Please reach out to one of us if you are interested in taking a more active role. There are so many ways to help that would fit into anyone's lives. We need people to bring dishes, set up dining room, call for dishes, plan, cook & serve the meals, clean up afterwards.

By sharing these responsibilities, even an hour, can give you the opportunity to share in the rewards of tithing your time & talents. Of course the dinners are only one of the many opportunities afforded you by participating. Give us a try.

The friendships built by working together are priceless. The rewards of giving are immeasurable. Please contact one of the Linda's for questions or concerns.

Our phone #s are Linda Springer 433-2669 or Linda Greve Edson 212-0959.

We are looking forward to a great 2019!



St. Patrick Catholic School Newsletter

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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.

I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.
Joshua 1:9

EVENTS TO REMEMBER

- JAN 3 SCHOOL RESUMES
- JAN 4 FIRST FRIDAY—MISSION ENVELOPES
- JAN 6 ALL SCHOOL MASS
- JAN 8 FLAG RAISING/AWARDS ASSEMBLY
- JAN 8 SCHOOL SPELLING BEE - 12:30 PM
- JAN 8 DREXEL CAMPAIGN BEGINS
- JAN 9 CONFESSIONS—NO ADORATION
- JAN 16 K-5 ADORATION
- JAN 17 NEOSHO COUNTY SPELLING BEE 12:30 PM
- JAN 18 NO SCHOOL/NO CHILDCARE — PD
- JAN 21 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
- JAN 23 BODY ENTURE
- JAN 23 3-5 ADORATION
- JAN 26 FAMILY BINGO AND FUN NIGHT
- JAN 27 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK BEGINS
- JAN 28 CRAZY SOCKS DAY—CLASSROOMS TRY TO FILL A SOCK WITH CHANGE
- JAN 29 CRAZY HAIR DAY
- JAN 29 KANSAS QUIZ BEE 1:00 PM
- JAN 30 CRAZY HAT DAY
- JAN 30 WALK IN SISTER'S SHOES DURING PE
- JAN 31 PJ DAY
- FEB 1 FREE DRESS DAY



STUDENTS WILL HAVE GREAT FUN LEARNING ABOUT THE DIFFERENT BODY SYSTEMS WHEN BODY VENTURE HITS THE ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC SCHOOL GYMNASIUM ON JANUARY 23RD.

If interested in volunteering to set up the evening of January 22 or taking down the afternoon of January 24,

Gravy with Grandparents
St. Patrick Catholic School will be providing biscuits and gravy for students and their grandparents beginning at 7:30 AM on Tuesday, January 29. Please join us!



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