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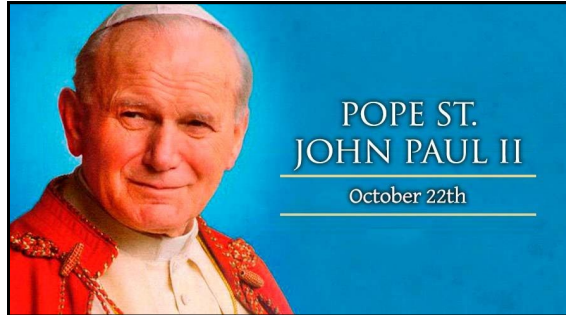
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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 20, 2024

## MESSAGE FROM FR. QUENTIN

Next Tuesday is the Feast day of Saint Pope John Paul II. Many of us have lived during his pontificate. Pope John Paul II was always known to be a great teacher of the faith. One of the great teachings he gave us is the Theology of the Body. He gave the teachings to us during his Papal audiences. I have learned that there was a book behind his “Theology of the Body” that he wrote before he was Pope as Cardinal Karol Wojtyla. The book is “Love and Responsibility.” Last week our youth had a presentation given by the Culture Project. In the presentation the presenters focused on human dignity. In “Love and Responsibility” Cardinal Wojtyla connects our call to love to the value and dignity of a person.



the human person. This determines the value of the person. A person must not be put on the same level as a thing (or for that matter as an individual animal): the person possesses spiritual perfectibility, and is by way of being an (embodied) spirit, not merely a ‘body’ magnificently endowed with life.”

The Culture Project gave this exact teaching from the saint we celebrate. We are not a thing to be objectified but a person to be loved. This is exactly the teaching of Saint John Paul II as he continued in his book to describe the call to love. At the foundation of a call to love is the dignity and value of a person.

“The commandment to love, as has been said, a form of the personalistic norm. We start from the existence of the person, and go to acknowledge the peculiar value of the person. The world of existence is the world of objects: amongst them we distinguish between persons and things. A person differs from a thing in structure and in degree of perfection. To the structure of the person belongs an ‘interior,’ in which we find the elements of spiritual life, and it is this that compels us to acknowledge the spiritual nature of the human soul, and the peculiar perfectibility of

“Love in the full sense of the word is a virtue, not just an emotion, and still less a mere excitement of the senses. This virtue is produced in the will and has at its disposal the resources of the will’s spiritual potential: in other words, it is an authentic commitment of the free will of the one person (the subject), resulting from the truth about another person (the object). Love as a virtue is oriented by the will towards the value of the person. The will, then, is the source of that affirmation of the person which permeates all the reactions, all the feelings, the whole behavior of the subject.”

## PARISH NEWS

### K of C Canned Goods Collection

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting canned goods on the west side of Reflections from 10:30am - 1:00pm during the Black Squirrel Fall Festival on **Saturday, November 2nd**. All goods collected will benefit the local Food Pantry.

### Book of the Dead

Please sign the names of your departed loved ones in the book of the dead located on the buffet table in the gathering space of the church.

### St. Gregory's Soup Day

Thurs., November 14th | 11am to 7pm  
Soups, Sandwiches, Homemade Pies & Desserts  
Craft & Baked Goods Table & Raffle Drawing  
Dine In | Carry Out | Delivery

Please begin making your craft items. Anyone wishing to donate an item for the raffle can contact Brenda at 562-3302 or drop it off at the Parish Office by Nov. 8th.

### Bowling Party

Sunday, Oct. 27th | 1-3 p.m. | Landoll Lanes

Space is limited, so please sign up early!  
(Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult)

Refreshments will be available to purchase.

Sign up by clicking [HERE](#), scanning the QR code or calling the Parish Office



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**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**

**Tuesday, Oct. 22**

**8:15am** ~ For rain for all of our drought stricken areas

**Wednesday, Oct. 23**

**12:05pm** ~ Kateri Friedrichs  
Baptismal Anniversary

**Thursday, Oct. 24**

**6:30am** † Cathy Utecht

**Friday, Oct. 25**

**8:15am** † Daniel Schwarz

**Saturday, Oct. 26**

**5:30pm** ~ Living and deceased members of Sylvester and Angela Pitsch family

**Sunday, Oct. 27**

**7:00am** † John Nietfeld  
**10:30am** ~ Living and deceased members of Charles Staab family

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Friday, Oct. 25**

**6:00am - 5:00pm** Adoration

**Saturday, Oct. 26**

**4:30pm - 5:15pm** Confessions

**Sunday, Oct. 27**

**1:00-3:00pm** Bowling Party, Landoll Lanes

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

*Helen "Dolly" Ellenbecker's  
100th Birthday  
Saturday, October 26th  
2:00 - 4:00pm  
St. Gregory Parish Hall*

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Envelope & Plate for October 13th \$ 9,460.61  
*(\$11,200 Expected Average Collection needed each week)*

**BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

Loan Principal Balance (as of 10/01/24).....\$230,321.97  
*Donations (since 10/01/24)..... (\$ 1,500.00)*  
Total Contributions to Date .....\$7,876,666.15  
*(\$9,100 needed each month for loan payment)*

**BAPTISMAL CELEBRATION**

Please welcome

***Nash William Martinez,***  
son of Joshua and Katelyn Martinez,  
who was baptized Sunday at St. Gregory's.

Please welcome

***Dean Michael Walker,***  
son of Joshua Walker and Cameron Martinez,  
who was baptized Sunday at St. Gregory's.

**PRO-LIFE MILK CARTONS**

Once again our Trial Life USA and American Heritage Girls are doing our Pro-Life Milk Carton Drive. In conjunction with our local K of C, we are collecting lose change, bills both big and small, as well as checks in an effort to support the K of C Ultrasound Initiative. Our hope is that a young girl or woman whom finds herself pregnant, scared, and quite possibly considering an abortion, will enter a clinic with an Ultrasound Machine provided through this effort. Upon getting a sonogram, hopefully she will change her mind and have the baby. How much is a human life worth? We will be collecting during the month of October.

~ Trail Life USA & American Heritage Girl members

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**AREA NEWS**

**Sunday, Oct. 20th** - *Harvest Meal, St. Mary's Church, St. Benedict, KS.* Serving pulled pork, cheesy potatoes, baked beans and cookies from **10:30am-1:30pm**. Dine in or carry out. Everyone is welcome!

**Sunday, November 3rd** - *Annunciation Church Annual Turkey Dinner, Frankfort.* Serving turkey dinner with all the trimmings from 11am-1:30pm. Adults \$15, Kids 5-10 \$6. There will be a quilt raffle and country store with food items, crafts and handiwork items. Take out meals available.

**Saturday, November 9th** - *All You Can Eat Boiled Shrimp, Smoked Pork Chops and Frog Legs,* Axtell Legion/Community Building. Sponsored by the Axtell Knights of Columbus. Serving from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. Adults \$22 at the door, Children \$10 at the door. All proceeds benefit various charities. Carryout available.



## ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL



### October Virtue of the Month - Responsibility

As we continue to work on the virtue of responsibility, reflect on the responsibilities in your life and ask your children to reflect on theirs. Do I leave assignments to the last minute? Do I avoid my work because I would rather watch TV? Do I give my best to complete each assignment? Do I accept my mistakes and the consequences that come from them? Do I learn from them? Do I build up other people? Do I help them make the right choices? When we answer yes to any of these questions, we are growing in responsibility.

**Pray the following as a family.** Dear Jesus, Please help us to be faithful in all the duties You have entrusted to us this day, fulfilling each with great care and love!

### PTO Simply Sheets Fundraiser

The St. Gregory School PTO is again hosting the Simply Sheets fundraiser. This company offers 12 different colors of bed sheets in sizes Twin to California King. Also available are towel sets, satin pillowcases and cooling pillows. Connect with a St. Gregory Family or contact the school office before Oct. 28 to purchase.

### Pizza Hut Fundraiser

Save the Date for the Pizza Hut fundraiser to support St. Gregory Catholic School on Monday, November 25th.

## PRAYER LIST

The power of prayer is an amazing thing! Please keep the following people in your prayers.

**Short Term Health Issues:** Denny Schell, Rich Bruland, Heidi Rutar, Bernice Nietfeld, Carly Cook, Chris Blanchard, Fred Lienemann, Jim Borgerding, KayeLynn Kroeger

**Long Term Health Issues:** Jolene O'Neal, Karen Rengstorf, Janel Weigel, Hudson Gartner, Kristi Meyer, Carol Howell, Joan Pacha, Phil Studer, Kathy Jueneman, Donna Sedlacek, Rick Thompson, Alice Murray, Pat Clark, Dorothy Peschel, Killian Gray, Steve Sawin, Torey Butler, Alan Wassenberg, Tony Evans, Mary Landoll, Debra Nietfeld Lambert, Joan Wacek and Sami Kirkland.

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

**"Life can be complicated at times. Far too often, though, we are the ones who complicate it. Maybe it's time to simplify your life. Recognize the little things that bring you joy, and thank God for them."**

**MARK HART**  
*Ask the Bible Geek Pt. 2*



## CELEBRATE

### *BIRTHDAYS*

- Oct. 21** Steve Crome, Cole Haeefe, Brandi Crownover, Bailee Busmann
- Oct. 22** Judy Ballman
- Oct. 23** Elaine Scheele (*95th Birthday*)  
Phyllis Libby
- Oct. 24** Catherine Voet, Linda McKay, Saylor Sweet
- Oct. 25** Sarah Koch, Brian Fragel
- Oct. 26** Paula Winkler, Colleen Voet, Bradley Rhodes, Brandee Rhodes
- Oct. 27** Marcy Deters, Everlee Byers, Trigg Argo

### *ANNIVERSARIES*

- Oct. 21** Kyle and Brittany Goracke
- Oct. 23** Drew and Payton Kuckelman
- Oct. 26** Mark and Renee Hoffman
- Oct. 27** Leo and Joyce Cudney (*40th Anniversary*)

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**Parish Hall Reservations:** Contact Parish Office

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**Baptisms:** See website for information

**Weddings:** Contact Father Quentin

*If someone is in need of the Eucharist taken to them, please call the Parish Office.*



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