

# Sunday, November 12, 2017: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## FR. JARETT'S CATHOLIC Q & A



***A friend of mine said that the bible prohibits the use of statues and images in worship. Is that true? Are Catholics in violation of the Bible?***

If your friend is talking about worshipping statues and images as a form of idolatry, then yes the scriptures prohibit that practice, but the bible does not prohibit the use of statues or images all together. In fact, at times God in the scriptures commands his people to build certain images for a purpose. For example, in Ex. 25:18-19 God commands Moses to make figures of angels (cherubim). In Num. 21:8, God commands Moses to make a bronze serpent, upon which those who were ill were instructed to gaze in order to be healed. There are also other passages in scripture that describe the adornment of the Jewish Temple

with symbolic statues and images. (1 Kings 6 and 7) In Catholic teaching as in scripture worship is reserved for God alone. Therefore, it is not the use of these things that is prohibited it is using them in idolatrous worship.

Do you have any pictures of your relatives hanging in your house? Why? Most likely it helps you to call those people to mind in thought and in prayer. Do you have any pictures of deceased relatives in your house? The same is true with these images, we look at them to call to mind our loved ones. The saints are also our spiritual relatives in God's family. Statues, icons, and images of saints are meant to enhance or facilitate prayers that call upon their intercession. We certainly do not worship these images or statues, we use them because as human beings we are drawn into prayer in a powerful way through our senses and in this case through our sense of sight.

Have questions, clarifications, or concerns. Email them to Fr. Jarett at [father.konrade@eaglecom.net](mailto:father.konrade@eaglecom.net)

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Tithing: Your Gift to God**  
**Fiscal Year: July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018**

Collection for the week of Nov. 5	\$ 14,630
Weekly Collection to meet Fiscal Budget:	\$ 15,227
Fiscal Year Budgeted:	\$791,815
Collected Year to Date:	\$265,762

#### MONEY COUNTERS

Nov. 12	Brad & Lisa Unrein
Nov. 19	Bill & Tiffany Weber
Nov. 26	Tim & Tina Zimmerman
Dec. 3	Scott & Terri Braun

**Adoration Chapel** needs someone to cover the hours of 2 to 3am on Mondays; and 2 to 3am on Thursdays. If interested please contact Bob Feauto at 628-1429.

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please check out our Website at**  
<http://stn-church.com/>.



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& treasure*  
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## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Sympathy of the St. Nicholas Parish is extended to the family of Martin "Matt" Staab.



**Advent candles sign-up sheet!** Prior to the procession for mass we will have families/individuals process in with the Advent candles and place them on the wreath. A sign-up sheet will be available in the gathering space for anyone interested in this Stewardship opportunity.

**Calling on all Hospitality representatives:** At our recent ministry training, hospitality representatives were made aware of changes in their guidelines and duties. Hospitality representatives are now the "go-to" people during an emergency/non-emergency situation. This makes it especially important that you sit in the reserved pew in the back, notify Children's Liturgy when to return, and attain a replacement if you cannot attend your assigned Mass. If you missed the ministry training, please read the revised guidelines sent to you via email, or request a copy of the revised guidelines from the parish office. Thank you for sharing your talents at St. Nicholas of Myra.

### Readings for Thirty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

**Monday, November 13**  
(St. Frances Xavier Cabrini)

Wis 1:1-7 / Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday, November 14**

Wis 2:23-3:9 / Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday, November 15 (St. Albert the Great)**

Wis 6:1-11 / Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday, November 16**

(St. Margaret of Scotland)

Wis 7:22b-8:1 / Lk 17:20-25

**Friday, November 17 (St. Elizabeth of Hungary)**

Wis 13:1-9 / Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday, November 18**

(The Dedication of the Basilicas of SS. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne)

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 / Lk 18:1-8

**Sunday, November 19**

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 / 1 Thes 5:1-6 /

Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Masses, Intentions & Services

Sat. Nov. 11 5:00 p.m.+ Albert Braun

Sun. Nov. 12 9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of  
Alois S. & Pauline Leiker  
Family

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Wed. Nov. 15 7:00 a.m.+ Tom & Mildred Brungardt

Fri. Nov. 17 7:00 a.m.+ Julius Rohr

Sat. Nov. 18 5:00 p.m.+ George Unrein

Sun. Nov. 19 9:30 a.m.+ Conrad & Kathryn Hoffman  
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR Nov. 18 & 19

#### Saturday, 5:00 P.M. Mass

##### EMHC

Stan Mayers

Deacon

John Allen

Andy Beck

Courtney Brady

Keith Dreiling

Tamra Leiker

##### Lectors

Pam Dreiling #1

Marie Froelich #2

##### Altar Servers

Jake Brady

Abigail Filak

Jared Mayers

##### Hospitality

Scott Brown

##### Sacristan

Zane Swartzman

##### Gift Bearers

Douglas Ford

#### Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Mass

##### EMHC

Diane O'Brien

Deacon

Joel Dreiling

Teresa Heimann

Jim Krob

Shannon Stauth

Iris Lang +

##### Lectors

Bill Heimann #1

Bill Weber #2

##### Altar Servers

Jeffrey Heimann

Nicholas Herrman

Jessica Herrman

##### Hospitality

Sharon Campbell

##### Sacristan

Rex O'Brien

##### Gift Bearers

Matt Cook

#### Sunday, 11:00 A.M. Mass

##### EMHC

Jayme Clark

Deacon

Melissa Schoepf

Monica Seib

Jan Stauth

Peter Waldschmidt

David Wasinger

##### Lectors

Patty Stull #1

Jorge Vazquez #2

##### Altar Servers

Anabelle Leach

Jessica Leiker

Nathan Leiker

##### Hospitality

Wes Leiker

Mike Leiker

##### Sacristan

Jenni Leiker

##### Gift Bearers

Matt Woydziak

*Help is needed for all ministries for Thanksgiving & the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Sign-up sheets are available in the gathering space.*

*Thank you!!*



### COFFEE & CONVERSATION –

Nov. 19, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.  
Hosted by the Building & Grounds  
Committee. Come join us!

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**December is a busy time of year and it will soon be upon us!** Christmas is on a Monday this year! Christmas Eve Masses will include a 5pm, and a Midnight Mass on Dec. 24, at St Nicholas of Myra (there will also be a 9am, Mass Christmas Day). The 5pm, Christmas Eve Mass is geared toward children and will include a children's program and an adult/youth choir. We will need children and adults to read for the program, and children to portray Mary, Joseph, angels, and shepherds as well as singers/instrumentalists for the choir. We will also need help with costumes!! The music for Midnight Mass will be celebrated with a choir and will begin with prelude carols. If you or your family are interested in sharing the beautiful spirit of Christmas by participating as a member of the Christmas program or instrumentalist or choir(s), please contact Cheryl and Amanda at [snommusicdirector@gmail.com](mailto:snommusicdirector@gmail.com) or call Cheryl at 785-650-1589. We look forward to celebrating the wondrous birth of our Savior with you!!

 **SYMBOLON** **Want to know more about your Catholic Faith?** Symbolon is a great tool for learning. The format is video and small group discussion. Sessions are presented on Thursdays in St. Nicholas Parish Hall beginning at 7pm. This is with the RCIA group and is open to the public. There is no cost or commitment. Just come and go as you wish. You are invited to join in and learn more about a given topic or to participate in the entire learning event if you like. It's up to you. Call Deacon Scott Watford at the Parish Office 628-1446 if you want more information. Here are the November topics:

**Thursday, Nov. 9, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Knowing the Faith Session 1:**  
**The Journey of Faith**

**Thursday, Nov. 16, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Knowing the Faith Session 2:**  
**Divine Revelation**

**Thursday, Nov. 23, No Meeting**  
**Thanksgiving Break**

**Thursday, Nov. 30, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Knowing the Faith Session 3:**  
**The Bible**

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FOOD DONATIONS** - Please help Hays Good Samaritan of Hays as we partner with St. Joseph Food Pantry for a Fall Food Drive. Donations boxes for the donations are located at Dillon's on Vine and Walmart, Monday, Nov. 6, through Wednesday, Nov. 15. A drive through event will be held Wednesday, Nov. 8, from 3:30 to 5pm. Pull into the parking lot of Hays Good Samaritan at 2700 Canal. Someone will come out to your car to get the donation from you!



**Food Pantry Drop-Off:** With the anticipated move out of the Parish Service Center, the location for the Food Barrels for pantry donations will change. Nonperishable food items as well as medium sized boxes may be brought to the parish school building, formerly Kennedy, doors 25 & 26, near the gym, from 8am to 3pm, Monday through Friday.

-- Food Pantry date is Nov. 18.

-- Item of the month - PROTEINS: canned tuna, chicken, ham, stew, chef-boy-ar-dee, etc. All varieties are appreciated, and thank you for any nonperishable items you are able to share this month!

-- Monetary donations can be sent through the weekend collection, left at the Parish Service Center or you may donate on line by going to <https://stj-church.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/St.JosephFoodPantry>

-- To volunteer to help at the St. Joseph Food Pantry contact Renee Michaud at 785-628-8434 or [michauds@ruraltel.net](mailto:michauds@ruraltel.net)

**Christmas Food Basket and Teaming up for Tots** sign up is Oct. 2 thru Nov. 17. Must be an Ellis County Resident and Low Income. Sign up at the Community Assistance Center 12th and Oak St. To Sponsor a family for the Christmas Food Box is \$50.00.

**There will be a Memorial Mass** for the deceased members of the Daughters of Isabella on Nov. 14, at 5:30pm, at Immaculate Heart of Mary church. A potluck will follow immediately after the mass for members and the families of our deceased sisters. Members are asked to bring a side dish for the potluck. The monthly meeting will follow the potluck.

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**Seminarian Collection** will be this weekend, Nov. 11 & 12. Please remember to help out and pray for much needed vocations in our Diocese.

**The Ladies Guild** will meet on Monday, Nov. 20. Gather in the church for a rosary at 6:45pm. Meeting will begin at 7pm. A Fort Hays massage therapist will speak. Could you be the lucky winner of a massage? Call Jean at 625-9348 or Karen at 913-370-1133 for questions or a ride to the meeting. Child care provided.

"**St. Ann's Altar Society, Liebenthal** invites everyone to their Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church School Basement in Liebenthal. Turkey and all the fixings will be served on Sunday, Nov. 12, from 11am to 1pm. Adults are \$10 and children 4 - 8 yrs old are \$4.00. A raffle is also being held in conjunction with the event."

**All Catholic moms are invited** to join Catholic Motherhood, a group of ladies from area parishes who support each other in our motherly vocations. Please plan to join us for one of our casual gatherings at 7:30pm, on Nov. 20. Locations vary so please contact Mary at 785-621-2121 for details.

**St. Mary's CYO** will be hosting its Pan Fried Chicken Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 12. Buffet Style Dinner includes Pan Fried Chicken, Homemade mashed potatoes & Gravy, vegetable, coleslaw, dinner rolls and dessert. Will be serving from 10am until 1pm, or until sold out. Dinner is held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Ellis. Price is \$5.00 for kids 5 to 9 and 10 and above \$10.00. Everyone Welcome!

#### "Healing After Loss of Suicide" Event

Healing After Loss of Suicide is an organization offering family members and friends of those who have lost a loved one to suicide a place to connect with others who are dealing with this highly specialized grief recovery process. The group will eat supper at 5:30pm, Wednesday, Nov. 15, at Thirsty's Bar & Grill, 2704 Vine St., Hays. They will then gather at 7pm, in The Center for Life Experience, 2900 Hall Street, Hays. For information, contact Ann Leiker at 785-259-6859 or email [ccfpc@ruraltel.net](mailto:ccfpc@ruraltel.net).

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Habitat for Humanity of Ellis County** will have a Vine & Dine on Sunday, Nov. 12, from noon to 4pm, at Big Creek Crossing. Feast on samples from top Hays restaurants. Win great raffle prizes and help Habitat create affordable homes! Tickets are \$20 per adult; \$20 for 2 children, aged 4-12; Children 3 and under free. Buy tickets online thru Eventbrite (Go to: [vine-dine.eventbrite.com](http://vine-dine.eventbrite.com)) or at the Big Creek Mall Office.

### Jr. CYO ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- **Jr. CYO** will meet on Dec. 3, at 1:30pm, for a Christmas/gift wrapping party. PLEASE BRING GIFTS FOR CHILDREN OF ELLIS COUNTY. We will be donating them to First Care to be distributed to children here in Hays. Extra shoeboxes would be appreciated also. We will supply the paper and tape! All 6-8th graders are welcome!!

### CYO ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- **Our Young people** will be heading to NCYC this week!! Please keep them and all those traveling to the conference in your prayers this week.

-- **Keep up-to-date on information** by watching the website at [www.stn-church.com/faith-formation/cyo](http://www.stn-church.com/faith-formation/cyo) You can also signup for our Remind Texts. Download instructions on the CYO webpage.

### THE DAYS AHEAD

**Nov. 13** Stewardship Meeting, 5:30pm  
-- K of C Meeting, 7pm

**Nov. 15** Single and Beyond Food and Fellowship, 6pm, at Gambino's Pizza, 2306 Vine St.

**Nov. 16** RCIA, 6:30pm

**Nov. 18** Men of Myra, 7:30am

-- Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church, 4:30pm

**Nov. 19** Rosary in the St. Nicholas Church, 9am

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## FAITH FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nov. 15 – Class, 6:15-7:15pm, at Kennedy

Nov. 22 – NO CLASS – Have a Happy Thanksgiving

Nov. 29 – Class 6:15-7:15pm, at Kennedy

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**New Class Starts Nov. 15!!!** *Class 2 – How do we know that our Faith is Right?* – With so many faiths and religions in the world how do we know that the Catholic Church is the true Church? How do we even know that God is real? We will answer all of these questions as we dig into the Catholic Faith. All of us come to our faith in different ways. Some come to recognize the truth through the Sacred Scriptures. Some come to the Church through reason and logic. We will discuss Aquinas's five proofs of God's existence, how science and religion work together to reveal God, and how we know that Jesus is the true founder of the Catholic Church. Join us as we also learn about Papal Authority, Marian Dogmas, The Eucharist, Confession, and the Mass.

Dates: Nov. 15, 29, Dec. 6, and 13 (No Class on Nov. 22.)

**Adult Sign-up Information – Signup forms can be found in the Parish Gathering Space or printed off on-line**

<http://stn-church.com/faith-formation/adult-education>

## SALINA DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Your Nov. 10th issue of The Register** included a donation envelope. We ask for your support in helping to send the diocesan newspaper twice a month to all registered families. Instead of selling subscriptions, we ask for a \$25 donation to cover printing and mailing costs. Please return your donation envelope as soon as possible with your contribution for 2018. If you don't have an envelope, you can mail your donation check to The Register, P.O. Box 1038, Salina, KS 67402, or contribute online at [salinadiocese.org/the-register](http://salinadiocese.org/the-register). Thank you for your support.

## SALINA DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Next week, there will be a collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.** Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

**NOVEMBER Alert** – The observance of Thanksgiving is often over-shadowed by Black Friday, a marketing sensation. Every day is a marketing opportunity for predators who shop globally on the internet. GATHER a group to study about internet exploitation of men, women, and children. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org))



**2018 MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.** is Friday Jan. 19, 2018. We are less than 3 months away! The Salina Diocese sponsored pilgrimage to the March will depart the chancery parking lot Wednesday, Jan. 17, 2018 and will return Sunday, Jan. 21, 2018. There is room for more pilgrims. Information and online registration available @ [salinadiocese.org/respect-life](http://salinadiocese.org/respect-life). Time is running out though, so don't wait. Contact the Respect Life Office at [respectlife@salinadiocese.org](mailto:respectlife@salinadiocese.org) or telephone (785) 628-1446 for more information. Deacon Scott Watford is the Salina Diocese Respect Life Coordinator.

**For the safety and the healing of children** the Diocese of Salina provides an Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline: 785-825-0865 along with an email [reportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto:reportabuse@salinadiocese.org). Calls/emails will be answered by the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator. All calls/emails are confidential with the following exception: Any allegation of child abuse concerning those who currently are minors, must be reported to the Kansas Protection Report Center 1-800-922-5330 as required by Kansas State Law and Diocesan Policy. This bulletin announcement provided by the Diocesan Office of Safety and Security

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## CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Holy Family Elementary



-- In deep appreciation for your support of Holy Family we invite parishioners to our school Mass of Gratitude on Tuesday, Nov. 14, at 8am, at IHM. Through your stewardship of prayer; sharing time and talent volunteering; and financial support through the parish, direct donations, or support of our fundraisers, we are able to provide excellence in faith formation, academic achievement, and social emotional development. During this mass our students and staff will pray especially for all our benefactors. Following our school mass we will have refreshments for all benefactors in the gathering space of Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please come and catch a glimpse of our young faith community all gathered together in Eucharist. We hope you can come!

-- Holy Family Elementary is looking to hire a paraprofessional. Interested individuals need to be available to work Monday-Friday from 8am to 2pm. The hourly rate is \$8.50-9.00/hour. This job is appropriate for those who enjoy working closely with children. Duties may include supervision in the classroom, recess, or at lunch; assisting with classroom instruction or assessment; and preparation of classroom materials. Applications may be picked up in the office of Holy Family from 7:30am until 4pm on school days. Questions can be directed to Mrs. Rachel Wentling, principal. Contact her at 785-625-3131 or [rwentling@hfehays.org](mailto:rwentling@hfehays.org).

-- You can still support HFE by recycling your aluminum cans in our trailer in the north parking lot, or by sending in boxtops and old cell phones! Labels that state "Labels for Education" on them are still accepted! Our Green School Committee safely disposes of old batteries, and we collect poptabs for the Ronald McDonald houses of America! Thanks for your support!

-- For more information go to [www.hfehays.org](http://www.hfehays.org)

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Thomas More Prep-Marian Jr. Sr. High School

-- **Up-To-Date Calendar Information** -To access the most up to date information for activities and events; please visit the TMP-M Calendar at [www.tmp-m.org/calendar](http://www.tmp-m.org/calendar)

-- **Monarch Madness Football Winners:** To keep up with who wins each week check out our website at <https://tmp-m.org/monarch-football-madness-2017/>

-- **Part-time Cook Needed.** We are currently looking to hire someone as a substitute cook in the kitchen. Please contact Carol Feauto if you are interested.

## AUTUMN PRAYER

*O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.*

*As we embrace these autumn months,*

*May the earlier setting of the sun*

*remind us to take time to rest.*

*May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet remind us of the brevity of this earthly life.*

*May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us your breath of life.*

*May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds remind us that you call us to follow your will.*

*We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.  
Amen.*



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