

PARISH NEWS

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: The Liturgy Commission is planning a day of renewal for all Liturgical Ministers (Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Greeters & Musicians) on Sunday, Jan. 29th. It will begin at 2 pm and conclude no later than 4 pm. Fr. Frank Coady will present on Liturgy & Stewardship at 2 pm; each section of ministers will gather from 3 to 4 pm to go over some changes for each ministry. If a member of the parish is not currently involved in any of these ministries and would like to volunteer, please plan to come to this day.

THE HEALING POWER OF FORGIVENESS is the title of a presentation by Celeste Dixon. Join us on Monday, Jan. 30th at 7 pm in the parish hall to hear about her experiences that led to her opposition of the death penalty.

The Health Ministry Cabinet will host a FAMILY & FRIENDS CPR CLASS on Saturday, Feb. 4 from 9:00-11:30 am in the parish hall. This is for those who want to learn CPR but do not need a course completion card in CPR for their job. No tests involved. To pre-register call Doris at 827-5575 or parishnurse@sbcglobal.net. \$3/payable at the door.

ST. MARY'S CUB SCOUT PACK 20 & BOY SCOUT TROOP 20 would like to thank the parish for their continued sponsorship and support by hosting a free coffee & donuts fellowship time for the congregation on Scout Sunday, Feb. 5th after the 7, 8:30 & 10 am Masses in the parish hall. **CATHOLIC CUB & BOY SCOUTS** registered in any Salina or area Pack or Boy Scout Troop are invited to join Pack & Troop 20 in observing Scout Sunday on Feb. 5th at the 10:00 am Mass. Please attend in Class A uniforms. For more info contact Angie at 827-3929.

A STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS for 2011 is available to you for tax purposes. Please contact Kathy at the parish office if you would like to have one sent to you: stmary@sbcglobal.net.

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"CATHOLICISM" is an 11-week DVD series with creator & host Fr. Robert Barron. You will learn what Catholics believe and why, while being immersed in the art, architecture, literature, beliefs, and practices of the Catholic tradition. Ideal for anyone interested in having a deeper understanding of the faith. Sessions will be held in the parish hall on Mondays beginning February 6th at 7:00 pm and on Thursdays at 9 am beginning February 9th. There is a \$5 registration fee. Study guides are available for \$35 (will enhance your learning, but not required). Deadline to order study guides is Jan. 29th. Call Brian at 826-9414 or Marlene at 825-4842 to register.

FR. PETER O'DNNELL has been temporarily re-assigned to Sacred Heart Parish in Colby, KS to assist Fr. Dana Clark as he recuperates from colon cancer surgery. Plans are that Fr. Peter will return at the end of February. Please keep Fr. Dana and Fr. Peter in your prayers. In Fr. Peter's absence, Fr. Leroy Metro will help out with Masses here.

"SOUPER" BOWL SUNDAY is February 5th. Our parish will be collecting cans of soup to support local agencies. Please bring your soup on the weekend of Feb. 4/5 and place in the tub for your favorite team.

CHANGE THE DATE of the Confirmation Parent and Candidate meeting from February 5th to Sunday, February 19th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. There will not be a make-up meeting. All candidates and at least one parent need to attend this session.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH: A couple weeks ago a box of collection envelopes and a letter of explanation were sent home with each child in St. Mary's School and our P.R.E. program. If you have other children at home who would like to have their own box of envelopes there are some extra ones in the gathering area. PLEASE NOTE: These envelopes are for children/youth only. Adult parishioners are asked to use the envelopes they receive by mail for contributions. Thanks!

SCHOOL NEWS

SHJSHS FAST CASH CALENDAR WINNERS:

\$40 - Sun., Jan. 22 - Charles & Carole Finan

\$20 - Tues., Jan. 24 - Randy Worcester

\$20 - Thurs., Jan. 26 - Russell Anspaugh

Orders for AUTHENTIC MEXICAN ENCHILADAS

can be made from SHJSHS until January 30th.

Cheese, Beef & Cheese or Cheese & Onion enchiladas are available. Payment must accompany order. Call SHJSHS at 825-4011 for prices/ordering info.

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST on Sunday, Jan. 29 from 7:30-Noon at St. Mary's School All Purpose Room. Egg casserole, cinnamon rolls, breads & fruit are offered by the Catholic Daughters of America. All donations are accepted!!!

Tickets are now available for the ANNUAL SACRED HEART JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL CHARITY AUCTION. "Knight Fever" will be held on Saturday, March 24th. Doors open at 4:30 pm. Tickets are \$40/person and are available at the SHJSHS business office. Auction catalogs will be available in February. Volunteers are needed the week prior and the night of the auction. If interested in helping please contact Melissa at 825-4011.

OTHER PARISHES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST for girls & boys ages 10-14 and sponsored by Council #601 will be Sunday, Jan. 29th at 1 pm at the SHHS gym. Participants must provide proof of age and written parental consent. Entry forms available at the competition. For more info contact Pat Martin at 820-6635.

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL VALENTINE DINNER will be Saturday, Feb. 11th from 6:00 to 7:30 pm at the S.H. Cathedral Hall of Bishops. Serving sliced smoked brisket, cheesy potatoes, creamed corn, dinner roll, carrot cake and drinks for \$15/person. Tickets are available at the Cathedral parish office, 118 N. 9th St. Bring your valentine for an evening of great food and fellowship!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ANNUAL APPEAL supports the many ministries of the Diocese including Youth and Adult Formation, Catholic Schools, Seminary Education, and Family Life. If you have not yet made a gift to the Appeal, please take some time this week to consider doing so.

MARRIAGE FOR KEEPS offers free marriage enrichment education classes, designed to build on the strengths of your relationship and teach critical life and relationship skills. It is for any couple. This is about learning and FUN, not counseling or therapy. People of all faith or non-faith traditions are welcome. Come learn new skills to better and strengthen your relationship. The program is free and includes dinner each week, marital assessment, gas cards and more. Classes begin Feb. 2nd and will be available in Spanish and English. Call Maria at Catholic Charities (825-0208) for more info.

THE SALINA DIOCESAN FAMILY LIFE OFFICE invites divorced persons to *The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL GUIDE*, a 12-week group which begins on Tuesday, Feb. 7th at 6:30 pm in the 3rd floor meeting room at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 103 N. 9th St. Cost is \$20/person which includes a "Personal Survival Guide", refreshments and all materials. Call Reg & Jan Konrade at 827-8746, Ext. 40, or email familylife@salinadiocese.org.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

IS THE LORD CALLING YOU to be a Capuchin Franciscan Friar as a Priest or Brother? Be sure to attend a Vocation Discernment Retreat for men 18-40 to be held February 10-12 at St. Fidelis Friary in Victoria, KS. For info or to register call Fr. John Lager, OFM Cap at 303-981-1111.

"TEACH ME YOUR WAYS O LORD" RETREAT will be held February 17-19 at the Milford Lake area. This is a pre-Lenten retreat for women 20-30 years old who desire to open their hearts and follow more closely the ways of the Lord. Cost is \$20/person. For more info or to register contact Sr. Beverly Carlin, csj at srbevc@csjkansas.org or 785-220-7996.