

## HOISINGTON MASS SCHEDULE FOR Jan. 20th & 21st:

Saturday, Jan. 20th 5:00pm +Beatrice Schneweis  
 Sunday, Jan. 21st 9:00am People & Needs of St. John & St. Ann's Parishes

Tuesday,  
 Thursday &  
 Friday Masses  
 are held in the  
 Parish Center

### HOISINGTON MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

#### 5:00pm Saturday

Servers: Mason & Leyton Haxton  
 Ushers: Ron & Betty Schremmer  
 Lectors: Jim Schneweis & Jerry Morgenstern  
 Euch. Min.: Jeanne Steiner, Jerry & Lou Ann Morgenstern

#### 9:00am Sunday

Nicolas & Zach Rubio  
 Mark Demel & Tom Demel  
 Mary Ann Behr & Kathy McGinnis  
 Neal Ochs, Marion & Madonna Oborny

**COUNTERS:** Anita Meade & Evelyn Hoffman

### COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK:

63 Envelopes.....\$ 3,998.00  
 Offertory.....\$ 1,059.25  
 On-Line Giving.....\$ 200.00  
**Total:.....\$ 5,257.25**

Thank You!

### STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE FOR

**JAN. 14th:** In today's first reading, we hear Samuel respond eagerly, "Here I am!" each time the Lord calls him. May we, too, be listening for the call of God in our lives and be ready to say like the Psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

The Hoisington Knights will hold a Texas Hold 'Em Champion Bounty Poker Tourney on Sat., Feb. 10th at 8:00pm. \$100 donation—no rebuy, knock out a champion & win their \$100 bounty—one bounty per 10 players. 80% Pay out!  
 There will also be a Steak and/or Shrimp dinner served from 5:30—7:30pm that evening at the Hoisington K-of-C Hall. Everyone is invited to attend the dinner!

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:

We'll meet at St. John's Parish Center on Tuesday, Jan. 16th at 7:00pm. This group is here to offer help & encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend.

### JUST A REMINDER:

If you have a specific date you want to have a Mass said for a loved one, please call Loretta at the Parish Office several months prior to the requested date as weekend dates are filled quickly.

### THINKING ABOUT SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?

Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend struggling or even heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage or do you feel helpless? **RETROUVAILLE** is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust, and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on **Jan. 26-28**, call Paul or Patty Miguel at 806-420-1520 or email them at: [retropairamarillo@gmail.com](mailto:retropairamarillo@gmail.com) or visit the website at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

### ESTATE PLANNING FOR CATHOLICS:

Tips for managing some of your most important life decisions. Combine your family planning & your stewardship.....Wills, Trusts, Estate Planning, & Advanced Directives. Learn about powerful tools to take care of your family, minimize taxes & implement your planned giving desires. Conducted by Tamara L. Davis, Davis & McCann, PA, Attorney at Law & Legal Counsel for the Diocese. Thursday, Jan. 25th, 2018 from 7:00—8:00pm at the Prince of Peace Parish Center in Great Bend.

RSVP is encouraged to: [mroth@dcdiocese.org](mailto:mroth@dcdiocese.org)

### SOUP SAMPLER SUPPER:

Sponsored by the D-of-I, everyone's invited to attend. It will be held on Sunday, Jan. 21st from 4:30—6:30pm at the St. Pat's Parish Center. \$7.00 per person includes drink and dessert. Children under 5 eat for free. Several varieties of soup to sample! Raffle tickets will also be available.



## OLMITZ MASS SCHEDULE JAN. 21st:

Sun., Jan. 21st 10:30am +Mert Straub

### MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

Servers: Kendal Dalton & Luke Higgason  
 Lectors: Linda Bahr & Janet Pechanec  
 Collectors: John Schneider & Dan Frieb  
 Offertory: Gary & Kay Straub  
 Eucharistic Min.: Kim Higgason, Dee & Jim Bartonek

### OLMITZ COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK:

54 Envelopes.....\$ 1,406.51  
 Offertory.....\$ 91.50  
 Votives.....\$ 80.00  
 Votive Stand.....\$ 241.00  
**TOTAL.....\$ 1,819.01**  
 Window donation.....\$ 25.00  
 Total Window Restor....\$141,754.43



### JANUARY 1st COLLECTION:

17 Envelopes.....\$ 300.00  
 Collection.....\$ 52.00  
**TOTAL.....\$ 352.00**

**FiberSpace 2018** will be held at the Heartland Farm-1049 CR 390—Pawnee Rock, KS on Friday-Saturday, Jan. 19-20 (**registration deadline is Jan. 15th**) and Feb. 9-10 (**registration deadline is Feb. 5th**). This year, we we'll offer all fiber skills at both sessions: knitting & crocheting, spinning & weaving—you choose one.

### MARCH FOR LIFE—TOPEKA 2018:

The Pro-Life Pilgrimage to Topeka will be held on Monday, Jan. 22, 2018. This is open to High School & College-age youth. The bus will depart from the Cathedral in Dodge City at approximately 5:30am and will return at 10:00pm. Cost is just \$35.00 per person. **We have learned that Melissa Ohden, nationally known speaker & abortion survivor will be speaking at 3:00pm.** The day will include Mass at the Topeka Performing Arts Center, the March to the Capitol, rally, lunch, and tours of the Capitol. There will be a dinner stop in Salina on the way home. Checks should be submitted by Jan. 15th & made payable to the Diocese of Dodge City & mailed to: Gayla Kirmer-Catholic Diocese of Dodge City-P.O. Box 137-Dodge City, KS 67801. If you have questions, call 620-227-1525, or email her at: [gkirmer@dcdiocese.org](mailto:gkirmer@dcdiocese.org)

## OLMITZ NOTES:

**RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES:** We will have classes on Sunday, Jan. 14th (3/4/5/ Youth Mass) at 9:15am. Classes will also be held on Jan. 21st.

**K-of-C MEMORIAL MASS:** On Sunday, Jan. 28th, we will celebrate the K-of-C Memorial Mass at the 10:30am Mass. Following this Mass, we will gather in the hall for a pot-luck dinner. **The entire parish is invited to join us at this dinner!**

### THANK YOU!

- **THANKS** so much to everyone who helped take down the Christmas decorations. It was greatly appreciated!
- **THANK YOU** to everyone for all the Christmas and Birthday gifts, cards, visits, and well-wishes I received. They are all very much appreciated. God bless you all.  
- Fr. Murphy
- **THANKS** to St. Ann's Parish for your generous gifts that you have given for the Birthright tree. We could not do this without your generosity. God bless you all.  
- Birthright of Great Bend

### CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR 2018

are in the back of church so please pick yours up if you have not yet done so.

**OLMITZ K-of-C MEETING:** This will be held on Thurs., Jan. 18th at 7:00pm in the K-of-C Hall.

### PRAYERS & SYMPATHY

are extended to **Lee & Dan Axman** at the loss of Lee's father, **Leo "Red" Moeder**, who passed away Sunday, Jan. 7th. Please keep Red and his family in your prayers and may he rest in peace.



### NEW SCHEDULES:

Your new schedules are in the back of church for you to pick up.

## HOISINGTON NOTES:

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** We will have Religious Ed classes on Wed., January 17th.  
Grades K-5.....4:00—5:00pm      Grades 6-12.....7:00—8:00pm

**MASS OF PETITION:** The Confirmation youth & sponsors will sit together next Sunday, Jan. 21st at the Mass of Petition (9:00am). Following Mass, we will hold Confirmation practice and then the youth will have their retreat in the afternoon in Great Bend.

### **MEETINGS:**

- St. John's Finance Council will meet on Tues., Feb. 6th at 6:30pm in the Parish Center
- St. John's Pastoral Council will meet on Thurs., Feb. 8th at 6:30pm in the Parish Center

**ALTAR SOCIETY DUES:** 2018 Altar Society dues are now due. Please place your dues (\$10.00) in the pink envelope in your envelope box and drop in the collection basket. Thanks to those who have already paid them! At this time, 47 ladies have paid their dues.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS DOWN:** Please plan to help take down Christmas decorations on Sunday, January 14th after the 9:00am Mass. It will be greatly appreciated!

**FREE-THROW CONTEST TODAY:** The local K-of-C Council 1521 will hold our annual Free-Throw Contest on Sunday, Jan. 14th at 1:00pm at the Hoisington Activity Center. This is for boys & girls ages 9-14. **You must bring a birth certificate for proof of age.** If you have questions, you may call Chris Kinman at 620-786-7123.



**THEO 1003 Introduction to the Old Testament:** Instructor is Sr. Joan Wolf. This course is designed to bring the Old Testament to life & thrill its readers with the story of one people's journey into faith. These ancient people's experiences may reveal the truth of our own journeys in that we can see ourselves in their life experiences, in their growth as well as in their backsliding, in their discoveries of the nature of God and in their misreading what was the will of God, in their frustration when life's troubles were overwhelming & when they had to trust God when important questions remained unanswered. It's a story which covers 2,000 years, a story of real flesh & blood people searching for God & of God's loving self-revelation over the centuries. Class times are: Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24 on Saturdays from 8:30am—12:00pm. Locations: ITV sites in the Diocese. Cost is \$150 for a 3 hr. course for college credit \$75 for a 3 hr. course for personal enrichment. Prices do NOT include books.

**THEO 4881—Get Equipped.** “Get equipped” supports the spiritual life & the practical ministry of those who serve during Eucharistic Liturgy. Focusing on hospitality, proclamation, prayer & mission, it is for greeters, lectors, minister of Holy Communion, music ministers, and all who gather for Eucharist. This course is one of the elective courses needed to obtain the Diocesan Certification in Liturgical Ministry. Presenters are Fr. Frank Coady, Dolores Martinez, Fr. Robert Schremmer, and others to be announced. Class dates are: Fri., April 27 & Sat., April 28. This begins with registration on Friday at 4:00pm and ends on Saturday at 1:30pm. It is being held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality, 3600 Broadway, Great Bend, KS. Cost is \$57.00 for room & meals, commuter fee is \$22.00. Additional \$50.00 for 1 hr. college credit—contact Coleen at cstein@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1538.

**ORGAN:** St. John's Parish has an organ that was donated to us and we'd like to pass it along to someone that will use it. If you would like more information, please call the Parish Office.

**YOUR 2017 DONATION LETTERS ARE IN THE VESTIBULE TO BE PICKED UP. PLEASE BE VERY CAREFUL TO PICK UP YOURS.** THIS IS VERY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION!!!! Thank you

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**  
5th & Main Streets  
Hoisington, KS 67544

**ST. ANN'S CHURCH**  
115 Cleveland St.  
Olmitz, KS 67564

~ Father Anselm Eke, MSP, Pastor ~

**Parish Center Office:**  
122 E. 5th St. - Hoisington, KS 67544  
**Parish Center Phone:**  
(620) 653-2963  
Website: stjohnevangelistparish.com

**Rectory:**  
108 E. 5th St.—Hoisington, KS 67544  
Phone: (620) 653-2695 or 2963  
Email: stjohnevangel@dc.kscoxmail.com  
For Relig. Ed: stjohreligoused@dc.kscoxmail.com

**BAPTISM OF THE LORD—YEAR B**  
January 14, 2017

**OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesday—Thursday, 9:00am—12:00pm and 1:00pm—4:00pm  
Fridays: 8:00am—2:00pm

**Bulletin Announcements:** Due by noon on Wednesday. May be submitted by email a at the above address

**Parish Secretary:** Loretta Kinman

**Director of Religious Education:** Pam Willis (Hoisington); Lisa Starr (Olmitz)

**Pastoral Council Pres.:** Cindy Wilborn (Hoisington); Bob Schneider (Olmitz)

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday, 5:00pm (Hoisington)  
Sunday, 9:00am (Hoisington); 10:30am (Olmitz)

- **Sacrament of Penance:** 4:15pm—4:45pm on Saturdays (Hoisington)  
First Sunday of the Month after Mass until Noon (Olmitz)  
Reconciliation is also available by appointment.
- **Sacrament of Baptism:** Call rectory to schedule an appointment for the Baptismal preparations.
- **Sacrament of Marriage:** Contact the pastor 4 to 6 months prior to proposed date of marriage.
- **Sacrament of Sick:** Call rectory in case of emergency or prior to medical procedures or hospital stay
- **PRAYER NETWORK:** To call a prayer intention in to our Prayer Network, call Nancy Kirmer at 653-2466.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Did you know that some employers will donate to your church or non-profit organization by matching donations that you give? There is usually a limit on how much per year they will match per employee. There are some area businesses that will do this. Ask your employer and “get more bang for your giving buck” as well as helping out your church and/or favorite non-profit organization.



**HELP IS AVAILABLE:** Help is available for people experiencing a financial hardship due to cancer diagnosis and treatments. Apply online for a grant to assist with: shelter, utilities, or medical supplies. Golden Belt Community Foundation—222.goldenbeltcf.org Heartland Cancer Patient Care & Support Fund—Individuals must reside in Barton, Pawnee, Rush, or Stafford County, KS.

### **FRUIT OF THE VINE—WORK OF HUMAN HANDS:**

In the late 1990's and early 2000's, the Diocese sponsored a program called “God's Little Green Acre”, a program to support seminarian education in the Diocese of Dodge City. The program has recently been resurrected, but with a few more options. The program is now called “Fruit of the Vine—Work of Human Hands” and offers two ways to participate.

*Fruit of the Vine* is for individuals who would like to pledge profits from their earthly labors, such as profits from crop production, sale of livestock, oil production, wind generation profits...etc.

*Work of Human Hands* is designed for individuals or businesses who would like to pledge a portion of their business profits, annual income or simply give a cash donation to support our seminarians, but we will provide you with a plaque or yard sign as a reminder to others to pray for vocations, and will encourage others to participate as well. For more information about this, please contact Mark W. Roth, Dir. Of Development-Diocese of Dodge City—P.O. Box 137—Dodge City, KS 67801 or call 620-227-1535 or you may email him at [mroth@dcdiocese.org](mailto:mroth@dcdiocese.org).

**PRAYER FOR THE MILITARY:** Lord Jesus Christ, please hold our troops in Your loving arms. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts that they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen!

**GOT QUESTIONS?** We've got Catholic Answers. Tune in weekdays from 5:00-7:00pm or call in with your question at 1-888-31-TRUTH, Divine Mercy Radio 88.1. Listen on your radio, our app, or on [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com)!

### **2017 NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK:**

Did you know that in our country, compared to 50 years ago, there are 20,000 fewer priests and 130,000 fewer religious sisters? At the same time, the Catholic population has continued to grow steadily. Many factors have contributed to the decline: growing secularism, a lengthened period of adolescence, attitudes about celibacy, etc. During Vocation Awareness week, please pray that young people in today's society will hear and respond to God's call. And do your part to encourage them to consider the priesthood and religious life.

**JUST A REMINDER:** If you belong to St. Ann's or St. John's Parishes, feel free to drop your envelope in either church's collection basket and know that you will receive credit for it from your parish as long as it is marked accordingly.

**HELP LINES:** Any woman who is pregnant and in need can turn for help to the pro-life movement. She never has to feel that abortion is the only option. People anywhere in the country can find assistance at the following numbers:

Carenet/Heartbeat.....1-800-395-HELP (4357) Birthright.....1-800-550-4900  
Crisis Pregnancy Helpline.....1-888-4-OPTIONS National Life Center.....1-800-848-LOVE (5683)  
Bethany Christian Services.....1-800-238-4269

**WINE TASTING EVENT:** The 2018 Wine Tasting Event will be at the Great Bend Event Center on Friday, April 20th., 2018. Mark your calendars now & plan on coming for a good time and a good cause!

### **PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY FOR THE RETURN OF CATHOLICS TO THE CHURCH:**

Almighty Father, You desire not the death of sinners, but that they may be converted and live. Pour out upon us Your mercy and hear the prayers of Your servants. Through the intercession of St. Anthony of Padua, who through his bold and powerful preaching, inspired so many “Careless Catholics” to return to the Church, soften the hearts of those we pray for who have strayed from the faith into which they were baptized. They are now forgetful of their duties as Catholics and pursue other ways. Grant that they may quickly return to the practice of the faith they once professed, so that their lives may again shine with the integrity of belief, the fervor of piety, and the ardor of charity. Restore them to Your sacraments & to the life of Your grace. We pray this in the name of Your Son Jesus and in union with St. Anthony and all the saints. Amen!

### **HEARING AID ASSISTANCE:**

The Starkey Hearing Foundation provides hearing aid assistance for those with financial need. There is an application processing fee of \$150.00 per hearing aid request; contact Hear Now to discuss eligibility before completing an application for assistance: 1-800-328-8602, or [Hear-now@starkey.com](mailto:Hear-now@starkey.com). When an application is approved, aids are given to the applicant at no additional cost.

**NEED HELP?** No one needs to go through life's most difficult challenges alone. Catholic Charities of Southwest Kansas is offering free professional counseling services in Dodge City, Garden City and Great Bend for adults, children, couples, families and seniors, regardless of race, religion or socioeconomic status. Contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590 or [afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org](mailto:afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org) for more information and/or to schedule an appointment.

**NEW?** Are you new in our parish? Please take a few minutes to call or email us at the parish office to fill out a Census form so we can enter you in our computer and welcome you into our parish!

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES:** No one needs to go through life's most difficult challenges alone. Catholic Charities of Southwest Kansas is offering free professional counseling services in Dodge City, Garden City & Great Bend for adults, children, couples, families and seniors, regardless of race, religion or socioeconomic status. Contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590 or [afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org](mailto:afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org) for more information and/or to schedule an appointment.

**SUPPORT & LISTEN TO CATHOLIC RADIO:** Tune in to Divine Mercy Radio..... 88.1  
KVDM-Hays & KRIT-Great Bend

