

HOISINGTON MASS SCHEDULE FOR Jan. 13th & 14th:

Saturday, Jan. 13th	5:00pm	+Megan Debes Escalante
Sunday, Jan. 14th	9:00am	People & Needs of St. Ann & St. John's Parishes

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

HOISINGTON MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

5:00pm Saturday

Servers: Camille Dolechek & Jordyn Boxberger
Ushers: Tom & Barbara Urban
Lectors: Rhonda Boxberger & Joan Schmidt
Euch. Min.: Martha Wondra, Bob & Jan Morgenstern

9:00am Sunday

Chase & Legend Robinson
Eldon Reif & Rob Unrein
Miranda Shives & London Reif
Jerry Stoss, London Reif, Ida Woydziak

COUNTERS: Dick & Nancy Kirmer

COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK:

46 Envelopes.....	\$ 2,015.00
Offertory.....	\$ 1,306.00
On-Line Giving.....	\$ 50.00
Total:.....	\$ 3,371.00

THANK YOU!!!

COLLECTION FOR NEW YEARS DAY:

8 Envelopes.....	\$ 122.00
Offertory.....	\$ 55.00
Total:.....	\$ 177.00

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE FOR JAN. 7th:

The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer to the newborn Savior?

"We can cure physical diseases with medicine, but the only cure for loneliness, despair, and hopelessness is love."

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

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.



THEO 1003 Intro to Old Testament—

Instructor: Sr. Joan Wolf. A study of the law, prophets, historical books, & wisdom literature of the Old Testament using analytical methods of contemporary scholarship. Each book will be studied within its own socio-political & cultural context, as a product of the Jewish faith community & expression of Yahweh's revelation. Class Times: Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24. Saturday mornings from 8:30am—12:00pm at the ITV sites in the diocese. Cost: 3 hr. course for college credit=\$150. 3 hr. course for personal enrichment=\$75. Prices do not include books.

D-of-I: We will meet at St. Pat's Parish Center on Monday, Jan. 8th at 7:00pm. Hostesses are Marilyn Petty & Lorita Berens.

VIBRANT MINISTRIES APPEAL:

As of 1/2/18—St. John's has donated \$148,569.00 or 52% of it's total and St. Ann's has donated \$73,079.00, or 49% of it's total.

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 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

OLMITZ MASS SCHEDULE JAN. 14th:

Sun., Jan. 14th 10:30am The Charles & Augusta Maneth Family

MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

Servers: 3/4/5 Youth Mass
Lectors: 3/4/5 Youth Mass
Collectors: 3/4/5 Youth Mass
Offertory: 3/4/5 Youth Mass
Eucharistic Min.: Kay Fitzsimmons, Dan and Lee Axman

OLMITZ COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK:

32 Envelopes.....	\$ 937.00
Offertory.....	\$ 164.00
Votives.....	\$ 85.00
TOTAL.....	\$ 1,186.00
Total Window Restor.....	\$ 141,754.43



TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER TOURNAMENT:

Everyone 21 & over are invited to a Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament on Sat., Jan. 6th at 7:30pm at he Hoisington K-of-C Hall.

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'll offer all fiber skills at both sessions: knitting & crocheting, spinning & weaving—you choose one. More info will be published in future bulletins.

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.

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.

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!

OLMITZ NOTES:

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES: We will have classes on Sunday, Jan. 7th & Jan. 14th (3/4/5/ Youth Mass) at 9:15am.

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.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES FOR 2018: They are in the back of church so please pick yours up if you have not yet done so.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY:

St. Ann's Parish extends our deepest sympathy to **John Riedel, Brenda Riedel, Sandy & Charlie Urban, and Mary Lou Schenk** at the loss of **Imelda Riedel**, their wife, mother, grandmother and sister. We ask you to please keep Imelda and all her family in your prayers. May her souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.



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

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@dcdioocese.org

HOISINGTON NOTES:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: We will resume on Wed., January 10th.
Grades K-5.....4:00—5:00pm Grades 6-12.....7:00—8:00pm

MEETINGS:

- **YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING:** 6:00pm (serving pizza) on Wed., Jan. 10th in the Parish Center.
- **HOISINGTON K-of-C MEETING:** Monday, Jan. 8th at 7:30pm in the K-of-C Hall.

COFFEE, ROLLS & CAKE: Please join us for coffee, rolls, cake & blessings for January birth-days and anniversaries this Sunday, January 7th after the 9:00am Mass in the Parish Center. Blood pressures will also be taken.

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: 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. Must bring a birth certificate for proof of age. If you have questions, you may call Chris Kinman at 620-786-7123.



REMINDER ON THE CORPORAL and SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY:

- **Corporal Works of Mercy:** Feed the hungry, Clothe the naked, Shelter the homeless, Visit the sick, Bury the dead
- **Spiritual Works of Mercy:** Instruct the ignorant, Counsel the doubtful, Admonish sinners, Bear wrongs patiently, Forgive offences willingly, Comfort the afflicted, Pray for the living and the dead.

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/Shrimp/Steak & 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.

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.

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

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Hoisington, KS 67544

ST. ANN'S CHURCH
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Olmitz, KS 67564

~ **Father Anselm Eke, MSP, Pastor** ~

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EPIPHANY OF THE LORD—YEAR B
January 7, 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 Baptis-mal 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 proce-dures 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.

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!

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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:
Caret/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. 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 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!

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

