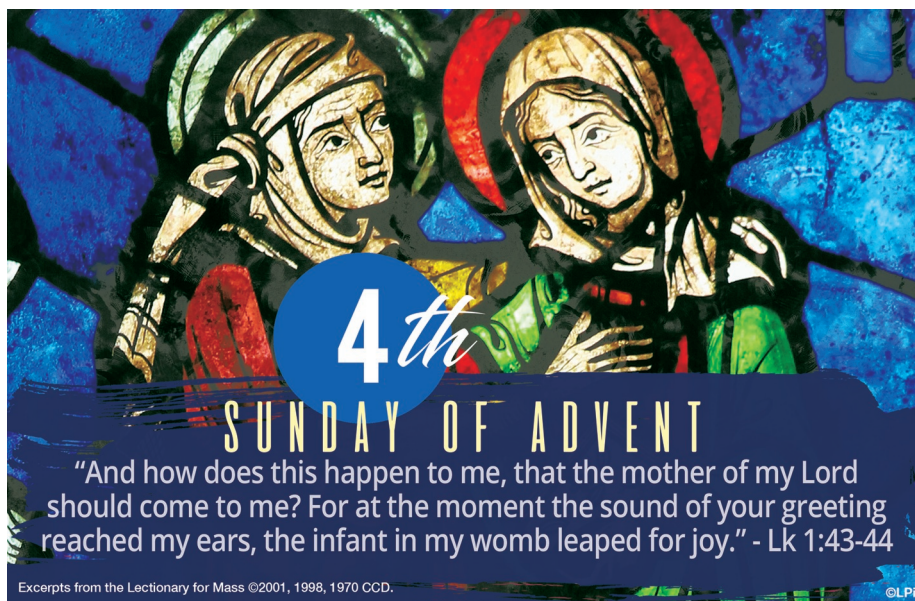


Sacred Heart of Jesus

Catholic Church & School

The Memo

December 22 - 23, 2018



Christmas Mass times:

The Eve of the Nativity of Our Lord

Monday, December 24

Didde Catholic Campus Center ~ 4 p.m.

Sacred Heart ~ 4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m.

Nativity of Our Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)

Tuesday, December 25

Sacred Heart ~ 10 a.m.

27 Cottonwood Emporia, KS 66801

Office Hours: M-Th 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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**Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary,
Holy Mother of God**
Monday, December 31
Sacred Heart
6 p.m.

**Solemnity of Mary,
Holy Mother of God**
(Holy Day of Obligation)
Tuesday, January 1
Sacred Heart
10 a.m.

**Fr. Emmanuel Tamale, from our sister parish
Our Lady of Fatima, Mubende, Uganda
will visit Sacred Heart of Jesus December 26 - 30, 2018.**

**If you would like to host Fr. Emmanuel in your home or invite him out
for a meal, please contact Joan Kloppenberg at 620-342-9331 or
kloppenbergj@yahoo.com. Fr. Emmanuel looks forward to
spending time here at Sacred Heart.**

**Join us for a special Christmas music concert
in the Parish Hall
Saturday, December 29
performed by:**

Travis Mecum

**immediately following the 5:30 p.m. Mass. A reception for
Travis and Fr. Emmanuel will also follow Mass that
evening. Please bring meat/cheese,
fruit and veggies to share.**

Travis Mecum is a seminarian with the Archdiocese of Kansas City who spent this past summer at Sacred Heart. While here he ministered to the home bound and nursing homes, conducted Liturgy of the Word Services, assisted with liturgical ministries as Extraordinary Minister, lector and cantor, and presented a series on Spiritual Identity.



Fundraiser for Sacred Heart School Dance Club!

A delicious made from scratch meal for
\$8.00/plate, carryout only:
three flautas with Mexican sour cream or
cheese, rice and beans. All proceeds will
benefit the SHS Dance Club to help with
cost of their dance outfits and shoes. This
fundraiser will take place after all Masses in
the parish hall
January 5 & 6 and 19 & 20.

SHS Dance Club (at left) performed a
beautiful traditional dance tribute to Our
Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. Look
for more pictures in a later publication!

**The upcoming Christmas collection benefits Catholic Charities of Northeastern Kansas.
Catholic Charities of NE KS thanks Sacred Heart parishioners for their overall contributions
totaling \$5,009.80 in the past year. It is because of generous contributions that
Catholic Charities can advance their mission of helping others.**

Are you a high school student looking for a way to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ? Come join us
January 19-21 at Savior Pastoral Center 12601 Parallel Parkway Kansas City, KS. for our
Teens Encounter Christ Retreat Weekend.

TEC is a retreat hosted by the Archdiocese that guides us in applying the Paschal mystery to our own lives.
Participants learn to die to self, rise to a new life in Christ and go forth to evangelize. You can sign up
at www.sunflowertec.org. Cost is \$90, however no one is turned away because of cost.

Blake: I will be celebrating Christmas in "the Good Life," Nebraska with family. My favorite Christmas movie is "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer," because I always wanted to be a dentist. My favorite Christmas food is chili. My favorite Christmas cookie is a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup surrounded in a peanut butter cookie. My favorite Christmas song is "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"...okay, it is actually an Advent song. My favorite Christmas ornament is a Denver Broncos Peyton Manning ornament given to me by my co-workers at the University of St. Mary. This ornament represents good times at work and good times for the Broncos. The Christmas tradition that means the most to me is Sacred Heart keeps the Christmas trees up until Candlemas aka the Presentation of Our Lord. This is a historical tradition that by signs and symbols helps us live out the liturgical year. A Catholic Christmas is a truly special things. I encourage everyone to take time to reflect on how God became Man and entered into history for our salvation. This reality is life-changing.

Joan: Let me tell you about the Christmas tree at our house. To upsize from the small tree we got when we first married, I bought a used tree at a garage sale 14 years ago. We store our tree in the worn box it was originally purchased in by the previous owner. We duck tape this box shut every year. The tree drops artificial needles terribly. The very top branch has all kinds of bends in it from the kids molding it to fit the tree topper of the year. It used to be the angel Katie picked out when she was 2, or occasionally the crystal snowflake Jeremy picked when he was 4. To be silly a couple of years ago, Elijah put his giant hamburger ornament on the top. We laughed and told him we would leave it briefly, but the burger remained for the whole season. Last year our tree top was graced with "The Tick" (a hulky blue creature from the original episodes in the 1990s - as is the toy - and was a favorite of my husband's.) This year it finally sank in. Although, we have had the opportunity, we will never have a different tree. This imperfect tree is part of the tradition. Its imperfections are predictable and are not something we cannot remedy. It requires a little love from each of us, fastening the branches in place, vacuuming the needles, stringing lights the old fashioned way, and finishing it with the hand-me-down felt tree skirt from my mom. It holds the ornaments of our memories. And when we are done, it's beautiful!



Lois: We will be spending a quiet Christmas at home this year with family. With three 1-year old grandchildren though, I'm not so sure how quiet it will be. The tradition that both Rod's family and my family have always considered the most important is family and the chance to see one another at this most sacred time. This year, we look forward to seeing extended family traveling from Texas, New York, Missouri, Arizona, North Dakota and Iowa!

Marcie: I look forward to celebrating a quiet Christmas with my husband and son. We will certainly enjoy our favorite Christmas movies "Home Alone" and "The Christmas Story." Our traditional Christmas meal is grilling ribeye steaks and enjoying my delicious twice baked potatoes! My favorite Christmas songs are the 'oldies' from the 50s and 60s. My favorite Christmas song to sing at Mass is "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming." Our family's favorite Christmas tree ornament is a Kansas City CHIEFS Christmas bulb that is always positioned perfectly! However, the Christmas ornament with the most sentimental value are those made by Xavier. In my house, we try to keep the true meaning of Christmas alive by celebrating Jesus on Christmas Day with birthday cupcakes and singing "Happy Birthday Jesus."

Michael: I will be celebrating Christmas at home with my family. My favorite Christmas movie is "Elf." My favorite Christmas goodies are Eggnog and gingerbread cookies. My favorite Christmas song is "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming." My favorite Christmas ornament is the star on top of our family's Christmas tree. In my house, we try to keep the true meaning of Christmas alive by meditating on the Incarnation - God becoming man. I think the best Christmas gift I've ever given is hugs, kisses, love, and quality time with my family. My most treasured Christmas tradition is Christmas Eve Mass.

Monica: My favorite Christmas treat is caramel popcorn. My favorite Christmas song is Silver Bells. My favorite Christmas ornaments are those my children received each year from their grandmother. The children's Christmas stockings hanging on the mantel made by their grandmother are the Christmas items that carry so much sentimental value to me. The Christmas tradition that means the most to me are those Christmas spent on "the farm" with my parents and family. We try to keep the true meaning of Christmas alive by simply remembering that Jesus is the true meaning of Christmas.



Merry Christmas (past) from the Farrar family!



Sacred Heart - Sacred Space

As we near the end of the

Sacred Heart ~ Sacred Space Capital Campaign,

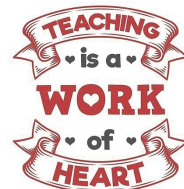
Sacred Heart parishioners should look with pride on the improvements that we as a community have made to our campus.

For many years, parishioners had expressed regret that we did not have a better handicap-accessible entrance to the church. For many years, various projects were discussed but no action was taken on a new entrance. However, about 5 years ago, a course of action for needed capital improvements was charted and the campaign was launched. Now, we can see the fruits of the dedication and commitment of Sacred Heart parishioners in the new north entrance to the church, the restoration of our beautiful stained-glass windows, a better church HVAC system, a rectory remodeled where more than one priest can reside, and a new office building built on church-owned property.

We are truly blessed.

We are within \$28,000 of the amount estimated to finish the parking lot south of the church, with commitments of over \$6,000 of this to be paid by February, 2019. The cost to put in this parking lot was more than anyone had expected, but in getting bids we found that much work was needed for the drainage and leveling of the land. We would like to end the campaign by accomplishing all the proposed projects. Therefore, we are furnishing pink envelopes at the ends of the pews this weekend so that those who have and those who have not yet given to our campaign will have one last chance to do so and help us reach our goal! Thank you for your generosity and devotion to our Lord, our Parish and one another.

Sacred Heart School is looking to hire an instructional aide to assist primarily in the 1st grade classroom. The aide would be expected to work with the classroom teacher to assist with small group and individual facilitation of lessons and implementation of academic and behavioral plans. The position is for a minimum of 4 hours a day, 5 days a week, but could be expanded to 6 hours a day. If you are interested in the position or would like more information, please contact principal Darby O'Neill at doneill@shemporia.org or (620) 343-7394.



**Rosary leader needed for the 4th
Sunday of the month at the 11 a.m.
Mass. If interested, please
contact the parish office. Thank you!**



Roy Petitfils
Internationally recognized
expert & author of:

**WHAT TEENS WANT
YOU TO KNOW
(BUT WON'T TELL YOU)**

January 12, 2019

**DINNER
WITH ROY**

Adult Enrichment Opportunities

Saturday, January 12

10 am - 2 pm

Sacred Heart, 27 Cottonwood, Emporia

**Session includes an
appreciation meal.
Attendance earns
grant money for
Sacred Heart's
religious education
program!**

SAVE THE DATE

Roy Petitfils will be at
Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Saturday, January 12, 2019

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

as part of the Archdiocese's RYMO Adult
Enrichment Program.

Roy has worked with youth and young adults for more than 20 years as minister, teacher, school administrator, school counselor and now as a counselor in private practice. He specializes in counseling teens and young adults. He regularly consults with churches, publishers and organizations helping them more effectively reach and minister to youth and young adults. He is an expert at raising and understanding teenagers. You can find Roy's Ted Talk, What Teenagers Want You to Know on YouTube.

Please consider saving the morning of Saturday,
January 12 on your calendar!



Youth Group members and members of the parish greeted shoppers as Salvation Army Bell Ringers Saturday, December 8.



(left) Jeanette Schmidt greets shoppers at the Altar Society Craft/Bake Sale December 9.
(below) Shoppers enjoy the variety at the Altar Society Craft/Bake Sale.



(above & below) Families enjoy the SHS Book Fair! Thank you to everyone that helped make this event a HUGE success!



(above) The Knights of Columbus and Boy Scouts work hard to serve guests at the KofC free will offering SUPER Breakfast last Sunday.



(left) The early morning Knights crew: Rolland Trahoon, Larry McManaman, Mark Ludlow, Gene Ohlman, Roger Wells and Richard Haag take a quick break from cooking to pose for a picture! Thank you Knights for a delicious breakfast and providing an opportunity for fellowship!

Organizations

Altar Society

Kimberly Coleman ~ 620-255-1222

Boy Scouts

Jeff Williams ~ 620-343-1919

Building & Grounds

Steve Henry ~ 620-340-9586

Birthright

Sheila Burenheide ~ 620-342-0092

Cemetery

Dave Stout ~ 620-340-2663

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Knights of Columbus

Matthew Coleman ~ 785-475-7324

Marriage Encounter

Thomas & Megan Mahoney
308-641-6584

Natural Family Planning

Richard & Janet Haag ~ 620-341-9079

Parish Endowments

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Prayer Chain

Louise Wright ~ 620-342-8624

Pro-Life

Kellie Vajgrt ~ 308-991-6981

PTO

Annette Legako ~ 620-794-2499

Secular Franciscans

Dena Kaminski ~ 620-342-4988

Stewardship

Jeffrey Williams ~ 620-343-1919



Welcome New Parishioners Please register at the Parish Office.

Catechumenate (RCIA) Those desiring to enter our faith community are welcomed into the Catechumenate to begin Christian Initiation. Call the parish office.

Baptism Preparation Congratulations on your pregnancy or new arrival! Preparation is held monthly (except in July). Please call parish office to sign up. The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. Must be registered parishioner for at least nine months.

Need Help With Prayer? Spiritual direction is available on request with Father Farrar, Debra Williams or Jim Krueger. Call the parish office.

Marriage Preparation Thinking about or already engaged? We're happy to help celebrate your love in the Sacrament of Marriage. Make an appointment with the pastor at least nine months prior to wedding.

Parish Staff

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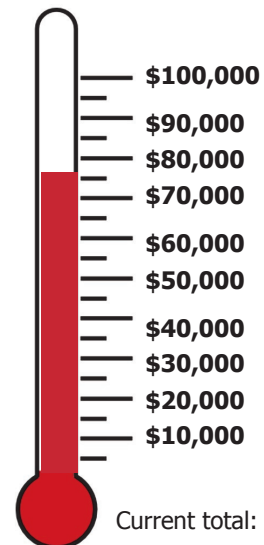
Due to an early bulletin deadline, collection information will be published at a later date.

To reach the online giving page through your Smartphone, scan the QR code to the left to signup & start giving! It's never been so easy & convenient to play your part in your parish's financial life!



The only item left to finish with the Sacred Heart ~ Sacred Space Capital Campaign is the parking lot, with angled spaces and a new sidewalk across the street to the south of the church.

GOAL: \$107,000.00



The total anticipated cost is \$107,000. Let's pull together here at the end of the campaign to make sure we can cross the finish line!

This Week

Sunday, December 23

Capital Campaign Special Collection at all Masses

10:45 am NO CYF classes

6:00 pm Lectio Divina, POoffice

Tuesday, December 25

Parish Office Closed

Blessed Sacrament not exposed in chapel

Wednesday, December 26

Parish Office Closed

Blessed Sacrament not exposed in chapel

No CYF

No Youth Group

Thursday, December 27

Parish Office Closed

No RCIA class, POoffice

No Cub/Boy Scouts, church basement

Friday, December 28

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, December 29

Capital Campaign Special Collection at Mass

6:30 pm Christmas Concert by Travis

Mecum and Reception for Travis & Fr.

Emmanuel, PHall

Sunday, December 30

Capital Campaign Special Collection at all Masses

NO CYF classes

6:00 pm Lectio Divina, POoffice

Looking Ahead

December 31: Vigil Mass, Mary, Holy Mother of God, 6p

January 1: Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God, Holy Day of Obligation, Mass 10a

January 5/6: SHS Dance Club Fundraiser

January 8: Gambino's Pizza SHS Dining Night

January 12: Rural Youth Ministry Presentation, Parish Hall

January 12/13: Call to Share Kickoff

January 13: KofC Breakfast

January 13 - 16: Surge of the Heart Parish Mission, St. Joseph, Olpe

January 19/20: SHS Dance Club Fundraiser

January 27: Catholic Schools Week Begins!

January 27: SHS All School Mass, 9:30a

January 28: SHS Service Project "Boxed with Love" food drive, Parish Hall

February 2: Youth Group Bierock Sale

February 5: Freddy's SHS Dining Night

February 17: KofC Breakfast

February 17: SHS All School Mass, 8a

March 6: Ash Wednesday, Mass times 7a, Noon, 7p

March 7: Pizza Hut SHS Dining Night

March 16/17: Blest Art for sale

March 17: KofC Breakfast

March 24: SHS All School Mass, 9:30a

March 22: Didde Lenten Fish Fry

March 29: Boy Scout Annual Pasta Dinner

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 24

The Eve of the Nativity of Our Lord

4:30 pm Oliver Sheeley

6:30 pm † Gloria Mosebey

8:30 pm Sacred Heart Parishioners

Tuesday, December 25

The Nativity of Our Lord

10:00 am Christmas Flower Memorials

Wednesday, December 26

St. Stephen, The First Martyr

5:30 pm † MacKenzie Payne

Thursday, December 27

St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

8:15 am † Anton Tan Van Nguyen

Friday, December 28

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

8:15 am † Mary Nail

Saturday, December 29

St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr

5:30 pm Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

Sunday, December 30

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 am Sacred Heart Parishioners

9:30 am Dieker Family

11:00 am † Jim & Marie Krueger

Confessions

Wednesdays 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Saturdays 4:30 - 5:15 p.m.

or by appointment



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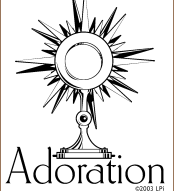
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Do you want a mobile way to stay connected? Receive text messages about Holy Day Mass times, weather cancellations, ministry news and more!

Text **SEMPORIA** to **84576** or visit flocknote.com/emporiacatholics to register.



Eucharistic



Adoration

Are you looking for spiritual fulfillment?
Have you considered giving an hour of your time to the Lord each week in prayer with a commitment to Eucharistic Adoration?

The following hours are in need:

Tuesday, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, 3 a.m. to 4 a.m.

Wednesday, 7 a.m. to 8 a.m.

If interested, please contact Brenda Mears at 344-2517 or shadoration@gmail.com or call the parish office.

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Free childcare is available for children newborn to preschool at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. You may bring your child to the church basement anytime during the Mass.

Liturgical Ministers

The JANUARY 2019 Ministry schedule is available!

Login to the MSP web terminal, access the parish website, obtain a paper copy from the sacristy, or contact the parish office for a paper copy.