

St. Joseph Church

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30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10/25/20

Monday NO MASS
Tuesday NO MASS @ Good Sam.
Wednesday 8:15 AM + Rev. Fernando Benliro
Thursday NO MASS
Friday 8:15 AM + Frank & Rosemary Kilmurry
Saturday 6:00 PM + Gordon Dvorak
Sunday 10:30 AM + Ed & Marianne Jansen

Sacrament of Reconciliation: One half hour prior to Sunday Morning Mass

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Thank You...to everyone who graciously donated items or money toward our annual parish action. As you read in last weekend's bulletin the event was canceled for everyone's safety due to Covid-19. We hope to hold the event around March 19-the Feast of St. Joseph. We will keep everyone posted. God bless you for understanding & your generosity!

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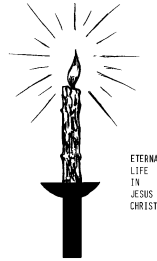
We Remember...those in need of special prayers:
Emma Lou Gunther, Blakely Bouska, John Gilg, Michelle Bulau, Garrett Scholz, Barb McTavish, & Andy Hoffman



FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus of Stuart are sponsoring a drive-thru fish fry on Sun., Nov. 1 from 4:30 – 7:30. Call

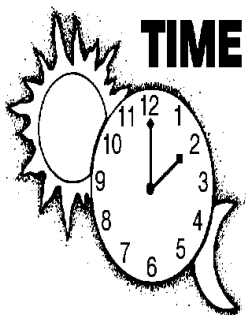
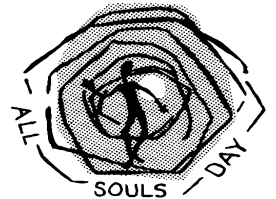
ahead with your order- may be picked up at front door or west kitchen door of St. Boniface Church. For orders, call Jeff @ 340.2185 or church basement @ 402.924.3494.



Candles In Memory...of your loved one will be placed on the side altar during the month of November and will be lit at each weekend Mass. We won't plan to have families process in on Nov. 1st as we have done in the past.

CCD NEWS---We are **STILL** in need of a **FIFTH GRADE TEACHER**. Please contact Linda Wolf, CCD Coordinator (402.340.0741) if you would be willing to teach this grade. **PARENTS---**remember the fee of **\$20.00 per child** to cover the cost of materials. **Thanks!**

You Will Find...All Souls envelopes in the vestibule of the church. If you'd like a Mass offered for your loved ones during the month of November—the month we especially remember those who have gone before us, please return the envelope to the parish office.



TIME CHANGE

Don't Forget...clocks *fall back* one hour on **Sunday, Nov. 1** (2am) as daylight saving time ends.

GO AHEAD & SMILE---*In A Catholic School* cafeteria, a nun places a note on a pile of apples, "Only take one, God is watching." Down the line is a pile of cookies. A little boy makes his own note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."



Dear Parishioners and Friends of the Catholic Parishes of Western Holt and Boyd Counties,
 There is a Texas saying, “When you boil the pot dry,” meant to refer to what is left after all else goes away. For example, “When you boil the pot dry, it was a misunderstanding that caused all the fuss.” It is similar to getting to the point of the matter, without superfluous details. “What’s the bottom line?” is another expression that captures the sentiment.

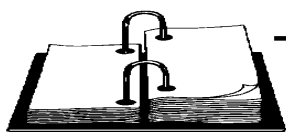
In Jesus’ day—when over 600 particular laws made up the whole of Mosaic Law, and a violation of one effectively meant a violation of the totality—the question posed to Jesus is seen as reasonable. Moreover, in the context of the larger story, Jesus had bested the chief priests, elders, disciples of the Pharisees, the Herodians, and the Sadducees; and now the Pharisees themselves are ready to take another turn. One of their number, a scholar of the law, becomes their mouthpiece. We should keep in mind that though the question seems perfectly legitimate on its face, the scholar was asking Jesus in order to test him.

That test does not seem to bother Jesus, who responds by quoting Mosaic Law, first Deuteronomy 6:5 followed by Leviticus 19:18. It’s quite likely that Jesus himself was the first to combine these two commandments. For him, and for his disciples, these two commandments are the foundation of the law and the prophets. It is what we have when we boil the pot dry. It is the bottom line.

When we love God and love our neighbor, we are fulfilling the law. All of the law, the entirety of the more than 600 particular laws, are summed up in these two. For us today, we might think of something similar if one were to ask which is the most important teaching in the catechism, or which is the most important precept of the church. Perhaps a comparable question might be whether it is more important to tend to a sick relative or attend Mass? The answer sidesteps all these questions by saying the most important law is twofold: Love God and love your neighbor. With these as our guiding light, all else comes into focus.

Getting to the heart of the matter can be an important exercise. Pruning away unnecessary detail to reveal the core issue is essential in many cases. For Christians, we recall that Jesus’ teachings were rooted in Mosaic Law and the prophets. Yet he emphasized or combined aspects of each that made them seem to come alive, or to be read and understood in a new way. It is certainly true that loving God and loving one’s neighbor were commandments in Mosaic Law. But who had ever combined them like this before? Ultimately, it is a good reminder of the core of the religious message. All of our actions ought to flow from this twofold love. Loving God and loving neighbor go together, and they cannot be reduced one to the other or one over the other. When we live by this guiding principle, we are living the paschal mystery.

Ad multos annos!
 Fr. Bernard Starman, Pastor



The Week Ahead

- **Wed., Oct. 28**—Adoration, 9am—3pm. CCD @ 6:30pm
- **Sun., Nov. 1**—All Saints Day & Stuart KC fish fry
- **Mon., Nov. 2**—All Souls Day

LITURGICAL MINISTERS...Oct 31/Nov 1

MASS TIMES	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
EMHCs	Andrea Borer	Harold Krumwiede
LECTORS	Brian Mlady	Dan Kramer
GIFT BEARERS		
ORGANIST	Terri Vrooman	
SERVERS		
<u>USHERS</u>		

THE LORD’S PORTION...10.18.20

Adult envelopes (21)	2,090.00
Loose checks (4)	1,225.00
Loose cash	21.00
Insurance (1)	100.00
World Mission Sunday (11)	175.00
Online Giving (4)	<u>760.00</u>
TOTAL	4,371.00

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

WHEN JESUS GIVES YOU THE BREAD OF LIFE...TAKE DOWN THE RECIPE