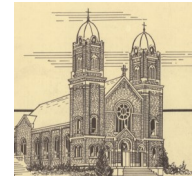




Holy Family Parish, Alma Sacred Heart Parish, Paxico



December 12, 2021

3rd Sunday of Advent

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Weekend Masses:

Sunday: 8:15 am, Holy Family, Alma
10:30am, Sacred Heart, Paxico

Daily Masses:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat, 8am, Sacred Heart, Paxico
Thursday, 8am, Holy Family, Alma
Sat before 8am Mass-

Seven Sorrows of our Lady Prayer

Alma Manor Mass: Last Thursday of Month, 9:30am

Celebration of Reconciliation:

Holy Family: Before Sunday Mass 7:30am
Sacred Heart: Before Sunday Mass 9:45am
1st Saturday of Month, 7:15-7:45am

Sacrament of Baptism: Call for appointment.
Sacrament of Marriage: Must notify pastor at least 6 months in advance.

**Remember our Soldiers in your prayers,
and always pray for peace.**

Grant Boucher, Tracy VanStory, Amanda Spetter,
 Marjie Durkes, Adam and Chad Koss, Michael Hintz,
 Kyle Glotzbach, Chris Seematter, Douglas Darnall-
 Austin, Eric Hill, Bryce and Braden Tharman, Joshua
 Daigler, Brandon Grant, Evan Rohleder, Emily
 Daigler, Thomas Daigler, Nicholas Daigler, Dustin
 Smith, Benjamin Pimpl, Joe Hund, Trey Wilson, Kyle
 Savage, Brock Richter, and Charles Constantino.

To Register as a Parishioner, pick up forms in the back of church. Thank you and Welcome!!

Meeting Schedule:

Knights of Columbus-SH Parish Hall
 1st Thursday of the month, 7pm
 Knights Breakfast-SH Parish Hall, 9am til Noon
 1st Sunday every month
 Pastoral & Finance Council
 HF—TBA
 SH— Tuesday, February 8, 7pm
 Ladies
 SH— TBA
 HF— 3rd Sunday of each month
 Holy Family Breakfast-
 2nd Sunday of each month
 Holy Family Choir
 Every Thursday at 7pm
 Eucharistic Adoration-
 HF-3rd Wednesday of the month, 3-9pm
 SH-1st Wednesday, 6-8pm

Holy Family

Parish Council-Steve Lira	785-765-3849
Ladies Altar Society-Rebekah Bloomfield	785-313-5641
Joyce Pimple	620-803-2570
Liturgy- Susie Orton	785-844-0445
Building Chairman-John Bloomfield	785-969-6895
Hall Rental-Joyce Pimple	620-803-2570

Sacred Heart Contacts:

Council Chairman-Eric Roth	785-221-5935
Funeral Dinners-Beth Glotzbach	785-844-1325
Altar Sodality-Carol Michaelis	785-636-5313
Cemetery Info-Joe Hund	785-210-7165
Liturgy appointments-Theresa Flach	785-617-0228
Knights of Columbus-Wes Garrison	785-806-6156
Hall Rental-Parish Office	785-636-5578
Prayer Chain- Rita Glotzbach	785-636-5581
Walking with Moms contact	785-817-3256
	785-844-2277

Directors of Religious Education:

Holy Family-Dan Deiter,	
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Sacred Heart-Renee Spellman	
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**If you are new to our parishes,
there are Registration forms in the back of
Church**

**Catholic Radio Station-
KSWZ-LP, 105.3 FM on your dial! Or you can visit their
website for live streaming: www.kswzlp.com. Free apps are
also available on the website, at the bottom of the home
page.**

Week of December 12-19

Sun, Dec 12

HF Mass 8:15am SH & HF Parishioners
HF Breakfast, after Mass
SH Mass 10:30am Robert Flach (+)
SH Penance Service, 7pm (for both parishes)

Mon, Dec 13

SH Mass 8am Tom Roth (+)

Tues, Dec 14

SH Mass 8am Anthony & Annetta Butel(+)

Wed, Dec 15

SH Mass 8am Poor souls in Purgatory (+)

Holy Family Adoration, 3-9pm

Thurs, Dec 16

HF Mass 8am Mark Falk (+)

Fri, Dec 17

SH Mass 8am Margie Gress, special intention

Sat, Dec 18

SH Mass 8am Paul Hiegert (+)

Sun, Dec 19

HF Mass 8:15am SH & HF Parishioners

SH Mass 10:30am Tom Schuetz(+)

RE Christmas Play, SH, immediately after Mass

Family Movie Night, 6pm, HF Hall

**Please pray for the members
of our Parishes who suffer
illness ...**

Bill and Virginia Glotzbach,
Carolyn Wurtz, Beth Frank,
Don Deiter, Marilyn Poovey,
Merle Glotzbach, Billy Layton,
Dwayne Seematter, Glenn
Herbic, Sheila Walton, Rose
Steck, Virginia Schmidt,
Louise Glotzbach, Elizabeth
Adams, Elizabeth King, Teresa
Anderson, Steve McConnell,
Jim Zeller, Marty Hiegert, Linda
Bond, Mona Roth, Fr. Earl
Dekat, Darlene Murray, Larry &
Greg Anderson, Sue Flach,
Duane & Diane Hund and any
others you may be aware of.
Also, pray for their caregivers
as well.

For All Parishioners...

Father Swamy's Message What should we do in preparation for Christmas?

This is the same question the Jews asked John. His answer, to them and to us, is the same: **“Repent and reform your lives,”** and prayerfully wait for the Messiah. Our Blessed Mother, in her many apparitions, urgently calls us to more fervent prayer, particularly her Rosary, with fasting, and penitential sacrifices. Let us remember that the Mass is the most powerful of prayers. We must be a Eucharistic people, living and experiencing the presence of Jesus in our hearts and adoring Him in His Tabernacle. Let us remember that conversion is an ongoing process effected by our daily cooperation with Jesus, Whom we encounter in the Sacraments. Regular monthly Confession makes us strong and enables us to receive more grace in the Eucharist. Let us read the Bible and Pray the Rosary daily. We might also fast once a week all year round, rather than just in Advent and Lent; after all, we sin all year round! Let us have the courage of our Christian convictions to turn off TV programs that show explicit sexual behavior, violence and the use of foul language. Let us spend some time every week in adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Let us forgive those who offend us and pray for them. Finally, let us share our love with others as selfless and humble service. “Do small things but with great love” (St. Teresa of Calcutta, “Mother Teresa”).

MAY GOD'S PEACE & JOY BE WITH YOU

Father Swamy Nannam MSFS

Penance Services...Reconciliation services will be held at Sacred Heart for both parishes, tonight Dec. 12th, at 7pm. There will be 3 priests available for confessions, Fr. Swamy, Fr. Mike and Fr. Justin (St. Marys). Please take advantage of this opportunity! If you can't make this time, St. Bernard's, Wamego, is at 3pm today. And next Sunday, Dec 19th, it will be at St. Marys at 3pm and Rossville at 7pm. We will also be having Holy Hour Adoration during the Penance Services today at Paxico, in thanksgiving for Archbishop Naumann and his years dedicated to the Pro-Life issue!

Flower donations...If you would like to donate for the Christmas flowers that will decorate our beautiful churches in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please place your donation in an envelope this week with the names. In Alma, there are envelopes in the pews, in Paxico just make sure it is marked for flowers! We would like them in by Wednesday of this week at the latest. Thank you!

Free Books...An Advent gift from your parish—"The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen", Each family please pick one up in the back of church.

Scam...People have been getting scam emails from Fr. Swamy (and Renee Spellman), but they are NOT legit. Please don't open them!

Advent Family Movie Night...Holy Family parish is having a family movie night on Sunday, December 19th. Movie is "The Fourth Wiseman". It is a 70 minute movie, will start at 6pm and we will furnish popcorn. All parishioners from **both** parishes are invited and welcome!

Holy Family

Holy Family Liturgy Assignments-

Collection– Dec 5, 2021

Envelopes \$1010, Plate \$71, Candles \$3, Masses \$80, Cemetery \$250, RE \$20, Holy Day \$10, Direct Deposit \$100, Advent Project \$200 **Total \$1644 Thank You!**

December 19-next Sunday-

Greeters/Gifts-Juanita Hedges, Rosa Hendricks
Music-Choir
Lector-Brian Boucher
Communion-Mike Anderson, Steve Lira
Servers-Caden Frank, Cameron Frank

Advent Project...The Holy Family Altar Society is undertaking a service and evangelization project during Advent to aid in the completion of the Drinking Water Plant completion in C.N.Kota, AP India (Fr. Swamy's home community), as well as assisting in the education of the youth. If you would like to participate, please **enclose your money in an envelope indicating where you wish your funds to be directed (water/education)**. No amount is too small. If writing a check, it should be made payable to Holy Family Catholic Church. The funds will then be distributed through the proper channels. Thank you for your prayers and contributions.

Christmas Flowers...If you would like to donate to the Christmas flower fund, please use the envelopes that are in your pews today.

Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart Liturgy Assignments-On Back page!

Collection– December 5, 2021

Envelopes \$2290, Plate \$346, Gift donations \$510, Religious Retirement \$979, Fuel \$10, Flowers \$20, Masses \$60, Candles \$69.20, Catholic Charities \$5

Total \$4289.20 Thank you!

Choir Practice... Christmas Choir practice on Wednesday, Dec. 15th, at 6:30pm. All are invited to join the choir!

Christmas Flowers...Please put your donations and memorials in the collection today or email or call Carol soon.

Congratulations...to NovaLynn Nicole Lawton, newborn daughter of Clayton Lawton and Brooklyn Bayless, who was baptized here at Sacred Heart last Sunday, Dec. 5th. She was born October 24, 2021. Her Godparents are Jeremy and Yvonne Lawton. Welcome to our Catholic faith NovaLynn!

Religious Ed notes...The Christmas play will be on Dec. 19th immediately following Mass! A reminder that all entries for the KofC poster and essay contests are due to Wes Garrison by Dec. 19th! Winners in their respective age category will receive \$25.

Envelopes...Please pick up your envelopes as soon as you can. If you do not see your name and want some, PLEASE call Carol and we'd be glad to get you some. Calendars will hopefully be in soon, supply chain problems.

KofC News...As part of the Knights of Columbus culture of Life funds, local Knights Council #1392 will be placing a donation "pack & play" crib in the foyer of Sacred Heart for the month of December. Baby items such as diapers, wipes, bottles and toys are appreciated. Donated items will go to Birthright to help mothers in need. Contact Wes Garrison if you wish to make a monetary donation or for more info. Thank you for your generosity.

We are happy to announce the Joe Flerlage Knights of Columbus Scholarship Fund for the Fall 2022 school year. Applications can be obtained at the Kansas Rural Community Foundation website.

Christmas Giving...We encourage all parishioners who are able, to give to a worthwhile charity. There were a few flyers in the bulletin last week from Mary's Choices, the Ladies sponsored Education Fund for Fr. Swamy's home parish, Right to Life (through the KofC) and so many others that need our support. Wherever your heart leads you, please give what you can to those less fortunate than us.

Ladies Altar Sodality...We are needing new officers for 2022. We will need a President, Secretary, Circle leaders, etc. If you are interested in keeping your current leadership job for 2022, please let Carol (844-2277) know as soon as possible. The President's job is not time consuming, but without a volunteer we will have to resort to team leaders and not an organized Sodality. Please consider it!

Parish Gathering...Instead of a customary Ladies Christmas Party and KofC Christmas party, we would like to offer a "parish gathering", an old-fashioned Pot Luck on January 8th, Sat evening at 5pm., for the entire parish! We are hoping to encourage our older and younger parishioners to come show us how to have fun and enjoy the comradarie of our fellow parishioners at a PotLuck dinner, and to come welcome the new families and newly married families to our parish as well. Besides the pot luck, we would like to offer card tables for those wanting to enjoy cards, games such as Corn Hole, etc. Any other ideas would be gladly considered. We simply want this to be a fun time for ALL parishioners, new and old, of every age! Of course, this will all be dependent upon the weather and Covid. Put it on your calendar!

Want to keep *Christ* in Christmas?

Feed the hungry, clothe the naked,
forgive the guilty, welcome the stranger and the unwanted child,
care for the sick, love your enemies!

Looking ahead...

Christmas Mass Schedule-

Holy Family, Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve, 5pm

Sacred Heart, Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve, 7pm

There will be no Christmas morning masses in our parishes, but our neighboring parishes will have the following:

St. Bernard, Wamego, Christmas morning, 10:45

Immaculate Conception, St. Marys, Christmas morning, 10:00

More Archdiocese News...

Are you looking for a way to go deeper? Do you want to start the New Year off with a bang? The youth office is offering four retreats, on four different days, with four different themes. It isn't necessary to attend each one, but they will build off each other to allow for a deeper encounter. Join us January 7th and 8th at Forest Park Retreat Center in East Topeka for day one: "Recognizing a Need for God." Cost of the retreat will be \$20 and includes overnight lodging and food. Friday night, beginning at 6:00pm, is open to any high school student wanting to make it an overnight retreat, including confession, adoration, and a time of prayer. If you cannot make it Friday, you are welcome to attend the main retreat, which will be Saturday from 9:30-4. Sign up here: www.archkckyouth.org under retreats. A confirmation email will be sent after signing up.

Suicide prevention...If you or someone you know is suffering from suicidal thoughts, call the National Suicide prevention Lifeline 800-273-8255 or text TALK to 741741. For more mental health resources call 913.647.3054 or visit <https://archkck.org/special-needs/mental-health/>

December 12-Today-SH

Greeters-Duane & Diane Hund
Cantors-Linda, Julie, Tracy & Julie Layton
Musician-Diane Gros
Gifts-Shawn & Toni Flach family
Lector-Steve Tharman
Communion- Joe Hund
Servers-Isabelle & Rebekah Stuhlsatz, Brandyn Glotzbach
Ushers-Jason & Renee Spellman, David & Michelle Stuhlsatz
Rosary-Doug Hiegert

December 12-Today, HF

Greeters/Gifts-Brian & Jamie Hafenstine family
Music-Choir
Lector-Mary Gehrt
Communion-Joyce Pimple, Dotty Schuckman
Servers-Wyatt Gehrt, Ben Schutter

December 19-next week-SH

Greeters-Steve & Stephanie Tharman
Cantors-Jerry, Marilyn and LuAnn
Musician-Marissa Hund
Gifts-Steve Flach, Beth Glotzbach
Lector-Linda Bond
Communion-Tony Conrad
Servers-Alaster Compton, Austin Spellman, Reese Michaelis
Ushers-Bill & Tracy Vanstory, Curtis & Connie Wagers
Rosary-Gertrude Garcia