



Holy Family Parish, Alma Sacred Heart Parish, Paxico



December 17, 2017

3rd Sunday of Advent

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00pm, St. Bernard, Wamego

Sunday: 7:00am, St. Bernard, Wamego

8:00am, Holy Family, Alma

8:45am, St. Joseph, Flush

10:30am, Sacred Heart, Paxico

10:45am, St. Bernard, Wamego

Daily Masses:

Monday, 8am, Sacred Heart, Paxico

Tuesday, 8am, St. Bernard, Wamego

Wednesday, 8am, Sacred Heart, Paxico

4th Wednesday of Month, Alma Manor, 9:30am

Thursday, 8am, Sacred Heart, Paxico

Friday, 8am, St. Bernard, Wamego

Saturday, 8am, Wamego

Celebration of Reconciliation:

St. Bernard: 4:00pm, Saturday

St. Joseph: 7:30pm, Saturday

Holy Family: 7:15-7:45am Sunday

Sacred Heart: 10am Sunday

Sacrament of Baptism: Call for appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Must notify pastor at least 6 months in advance.

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

1st Sunday-9am til Noon

Pastoral & Finance Council

HF—TBA

SH— February 19, 7pm

Ladies

SH-December 10, Christmas Party

HF-1st Sunday of every month, after Mass

Holy Family Choir

Every Thursday at 7pm

Eucharistic Adoration-

HF-3rd Wednesday of the month, 3-9pm

SH-1st Wednesday of the month, 5-9pm

Holy Family Contacts:

Parish Council— Steve Lira 785-765-3849

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Liturgy— Susie Orton 785-765-3305

Building Chairman-John Bloomfield 785-969-6895

Sacred Heart Contacts:

Council Chairman-Pat Wike 785-636-8993

Funeral Dinners-Marty Hiebert 785-636-5323

Altar Sodality-Marilyn Hund 785-636-5475

Knights of Columbus-Jason Spellman 785-410-4959

Liturgy appointments-Connie Hund 785-636-5568

Picnic Chair-Rosalie Wike 785-636-8993

Hall Rental-Parish Office 785-636-5578

Prayer Chain— Rita Glotzbach 785-636-5581

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

Grant Boucher, Ben Ronnau, Terry Gosch, Tracy VanStory, Brodie & Fredia Loudenberg, Thad Ronnau, Amanda Spetter, Marjie Durkes, Adam and Chad Koss, Bryan Scheets, Michael Hintz, Kyle Glotzbach, Chris Seematter, Wayne Rohleder, Jordan Mixer, Douglas Damall-Austin, Eric Hill, Blaine Tharman, Joshua Daigler, Brandon Grant, Evan Rohleder, Trever Rutherford, Emily Daigler, Thomas Daigler, Nicholas Daigler, Dustin Smith, and Benjamin Pimpl.

Week of Dec 17-24

<u>Sun, Dec 17</u>	<i>HF Mass</i>	<i>8am</i>	<i>T. Ronnau (+)</i>
	<i>SH Mass</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>SH & HF Parishioners</i>
			SH Nativity Play, after Mass
			<i>SH Reconciliation Services, 3pm</i>
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<u>Mon, Dec 18</u>	<i>SH Mass</i>	<i>8am</i>	<i>Margaret Hund (+)</i>
<u>Wed, Dec 20</u>	<i>SH Mass</i>	<i>8am</i>	<i>Alvin Zeller(+)</i>
<u>Thurs, Dec 21</u>	<i>SH Mass</i>	<i>8am</i>	<i>Gary Diffley (+)</i>
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<u>Sun, Dec 24</u>	<i>HF Mass</i>	<i>8am</i>	<i>SH & HF Parishioners</i>
	<i>SH Mass</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Special Intentions-Laverne Hurla</i>
<u>Christmas Eve Mass</u>	<i>SH Mass</i>	<i>7pm</i>	<i>Mary Jane Clark</i>
	<i>HF Mass</i>	<i>9pm</i>	<i>SH & HF Parishioners</i>

Collection at these 2 masses is for Catholic Charities-Please be generous!

Please pray for the sick of our Parishes ...

Bill and Virginia Glotzbach, Carolyn Wurtz, Beth Frank, Don Deiter, Marilyn Poovey, Merle Glotzbach, Billy Layton, Norman Deiter, Bob Steck, Dorothy Ronnau, Alice Michaelis, Dwayne Seematter, Margaret Zeller, Glenn Herbic, Tom Schuetz, Sheila Walton, Bob Michaelis, Rose Steck, Bob & Virginia Schmidt, Kyle Moege, Jara Lannan and any others you may be aware of. Also, pray for their caregivers as well.

For All Parishioners..

Healing Family Breakdown ...Every family in America has been affected by Family Breakdown. You are not alone. Are you tired of the drama and insecurity and lovelessness, and wonder how you can feel better? Are you heartbroken, wondering what you can do to help your family, including your kids or grandkids? Do you wonder how we got into such a mess and how we can recover? Come to the Ruth Institute's "Healing Family Breakdown" Spiritual Workshop, at Ascension Parish, Saturday, January 27th from 9:00am - 12:30pm. Come, regain hope! Put into practice the practical familybuilding virtues of mercy, empathy, and togetherness. Go to <http://www.ruthinstitute.org/events/healing-family-breakdown> for details and registration information.

Special Needs Ministry Respite Care Program... Saturday, January 27, 2018 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Holy Cross Catholic School 8101 West 95th Street Overland Park, Kansas Respite Care provides the gift of time away from caregiving for families who have a child with a disability. The program is designed for children between the ages of 6 and 18. For exceptions to the age range, please contact Tom Racunas, Archdiocese Lead Coordinator of the Special Needs Ministry, at 913.647.3054 or by email at tracunas@archkck.org. If you have any questions regarding the program please contact Tom, or Audrey Amor, Archdiocese Respite Care Coordinator at 816.739.1197 or via email at aamor@sjakeepingfaith.org. Volunteers are needed to be a respite buddy to a child with a disability. To register a child for the program or to volunteer please go to www.archkck.org/special-needs and complete the on-line form.

Reconciliation Schedule... (Advent Penance Services) are:
Dec. 17, TODAY—3pm Sacred Heart, 7pm St. Bernard

Quo Vadis Discernment Retreat for Single Men ... "St. Peter – Called, Formed, and Sent" Single men ages 18-35 are invited to discern their vocation guided by Archbishop Naumann, Vocation Director Fr. Scott Wallisch, and our seminarians. Take a short break from the materialism of Christmas and join other guys who are open to God's will. This free retreat is at Savior Pastoral Center Dec. 21- 23. Through prayer, Mass and short conferences discover God's deepest desire for you. No obligation just opportunity, so come even if you cannot stay for the entire retreat. Learn more and register by Dec. 18 at kckvocations.com or email vocation@archkck.org

Do you need a common sense approach ...to inviting more joy into your marriage? Every Day in Love is an upbeat series of three-hour sessions which offer positive and affirming insights and fun couple exercises to help couples love smarter not harder. Two new series begin in January, one in Overland Park and one in Burlington (Saturday, Jan 13 at Holy Spirit at 5:30p, and Sunday, Jan 14 at 1pm at St. Francis) Cost: \$25/couple per session. Child Care is included on Limited basis. This empowering series is a featured offering of the Joyful Marriage Project. Register and see more details at www.archkck.org/everyday. Questions: email Brad, bdupont@archkck.org.

Reboot...A Life-Changing Event, featuring internationally acclaimed speaker, author, and TV host, Chris Stefanick. Wednesday, March 14th, 7-9:30pm, Wamego High School. Tickets \$22. Info/purchase tickets: 456-7869, ext 2. RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot Don't miss out on this incredible show!

Marriage Encounter...Married Couples-want to give a gift that keeps on giving? Register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, it's the best gift you'll ever give to each other and your marriage! The next weekend in Kansas City is April 20-22. For more info, www.wm4youandme.org or call Tony & Barb, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

Phone numbers for help....

Birthright Hotline—open 24/7—1-800-550-4900

Pregnant? Call Mary's Choices, 785-246-6805

Abstinence Education, Crisis Pregnancy, Project Rachel/Project Joseph (post-abortion healing)
1-888-246-1504

Community Health Ministry (Wab-Pott Co) 456-7872 or 765-2250

Open MTF from 10am-4:30pm

Pregnant? Need Help?

Call 913-602-0306,

A friend for the Journey!

If you know someone who is pregnant and could use help, please encourage her to call *The Gabriel Project*.

Holy Family

Collection, December 10, 2017

Envelopes \$909, Plate to Bldg fund \$25, Plate \$58.50,
Building Fund pledges \$450, Candles \$10,
Religious Retirement \$180, Holy Day \$111
Total \$1743.50 Thank You!

December Collection Counters

Glen Seiler, Janet Hafenstine

Book Discussion Group...Monday evenings at John & Carmen Bloomfield home!

Decorating the Church...We will decorate the church for Christmas after Mass on Sunday, December 17th. Please plan to stay and help!

Year-End...As we begin to think about year-end and tax reports this would be a good time to complete our year end giving/building pledges. Thank you for considering it!

Christmas masses in the area are:

December 24, 5pm, St. Bernard, Wamego
6pm, St. Stanislaus, Rossville & Immaculate Conception, St. Marys
7pm, Sacred Heart
8pm, St. Bernard, Wamego
9pm, Holy Family

Midnight, Immaculate Conception, St. Marys
December 25, 9am-St. Bernard, Wamego and St. Stanislaus, Rossville
There will be NO mass at SH or HF this day!

Thank you for following [@Pontifex](#) which turns five years old today. May social media always be spaces that are rich in humanity!

Pope Francis on Twitter [@Pontifex](#)

Sacred Heart

Collection, December 10, 2017

Envelopes \$1240, Plate \$313.53, Catholic Charities \$75, Masses \$100, Candles \$6, Flowers \$70, Rent \$125, Religious Retirement \$259, Gift \$3700, Holy Day \$20, **Total \$5208.53 Thank you!**

Change in Mass schedule...There will NOT be a Christmas morning mass at Sacred Heart, as was earlier published.

Altar Sodality News...We had a lovely dinner and some exciting Bingo games at the Christmas party and meeting last Sunday! Next year, come join us!! We still need volunteers for President, Circle Leaders, Chicken Dinner and Sausage Supper Coordinators, and Christmas Party Coordinator. Call Marilyn, 636-5475, or the office if you can help out! Thank you for considering it!

Envelopes...Please pick up your 2018 envelopes in the back of church if you haven't already. If we left you off the list and you want envelopes, PLEASE call Carol, 636-5313. There are also a few Catholic calendars there, if you would like one.

Thank You...Ladies Altar Sodality, Your recent donation of 4 boxes of clothing is greatly appreciated. Thank you for thinking of us. Many mothers and children will be helped due to your kindness. Merry Christmas to all of you. *Birthright*

The Miracle of Life...*We are following the conception of Christ (or a baby named Chris) and the pregnancy of Mary (or any mother in our society)! This is week 39 since conception.*

Chris now weighs between five and nine pounds. The average size baby is seven pounds. "It's really crowded in here and it's very hard to move." The umbilical cord is approximately 20 inches long and about 1/2 inch thick and doesn't have any nerve endings (this means that neither mom nor Chris will feel any pain when it is cut). The good news for mom is it's easier to breathe because the baby is moving down. The bad news is mom may be running to the bathroom every two minutes. *"Then God, who had specially chosen me while I was still in my mother's womb..." Gal 1:15*

Marriage Minute...Rejoice always! In these weeks before Christmas, we often hear the word "joy," usually accompanied by a couple laughing as they share a blanket and sip cocoa by the fire. But what happens if our circumstances aren't "merry and bright?" What if our family is experiencing painful relationships, illness, death or serious financial strain? In these times, we can remember this weekend's readings which tell us, "Rejoice always." Always?! Yes! Joy recognizes that the coming of Jesus means: • Forgiveness that sets us free, even if others don't change. • Hope of eternal life. • Strength to endure trials. • Comfort knowing that Jesus became man to enter into our suffering. Need some joy this week? Try one of our DIY Date Nights in the Resource section of www.joyfulmarriageproject.com.