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“Then Abraham said, ‘If they will not listen to Moses and the
prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise
from the dead.’” — Lk 16:31


September 29, 2019 · TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
THE TEN ESSENTIALS OF CATHOLICISM

(First essential: We believe that there is a God. Second essential: We believe that God talks to us through Revelation (the Bible). Third essential: God talks to us through Jesus of Nazareth in the Gospels. We have given the presentation on the Gospels according to Mark and of Luke and of Matthew. Now we are studying the Gospel according to John.)

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

1. The Gospel was probably written around 95 A.D.

2. The principal stress is the fact that Jesus is truly God (from the first moment and throughout his life) coming to live among human beings, while living his life as presented by John and the other Gospels.

3. Sources and Composition
   - John’s Gospel is highly symbolic, full of symbolism throughout the whole Gospel.
   - in John’s Gospel, the focus is not the kingdom of God, or parables (there are no parables in John), but on the symbolic discourses in which Jesus speaks especially of his relationship with the Father and on his mission here on earth;
   - Jesus’ ministry is over a three-year period, (whereas the other Gospels could be interpreted to be only over a one-year period of time);
   - Jesus’ ministry takes place in Galilee and Judea (in contrast to the Synoptics—Matthew, Mark and Luke—which place Jesus’ principal ministry in Galilee);
   - the Gospel of John never includes exorcism among the healings of Jesus;
   - John’s Gospel professes that Jesus is the Messiah from the very beginning;
   - the accounts of miracles probably came from some external source and are placed at the beginning of the Gospel known as the Book of Signs (chapters 1:19 to chapter-12);
   - John’s discourses probably came from patterns and units of preaching that were common in the Johannine community.

4. Probably John had some acquaintance with the other Gospels, but his knowledge is based on an independent line of tradition preserved in the Johannine churches. There are some major episodes and sayings that occur in both the Synoptics and John, although not many.
   - probably the Gospel is the result of several stages of editing because there are many problems of transitions and duplications as can be seen especially reading chapters 15-17 as a whole, and there is the possibility of “new material” which was added as the Gospel circulated

- for example, John 12:44-50 is simply a composition all by itself and a “conclusion” after it
- and the prologue (1:1-18) seems to elaborate on an early hymn of the church.

5. Because there is such a complex pattern present through the Gospel, probably the best way to consider its writing is to say that it is the result of many “authors” from the community in which John was living.

…more to come

Respect Life Sunday Mass - Each October the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday.

Please join Archbishop Naumann on Sunday, October 6 at 11:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 13615 W. 92nd Street, Lenexa KS. Reception to follow at Fr. Quigley Center.

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. Visit respectlife-program.org/respect-life-month to learn more.

October is Mental Health Awareness Month. According to the National Institute of Health, in a given year about one in four people have a diagnosable mental health condition. A Mass to heighten awareness and to pray for those with mental health concerns will be offered on Saturday, October 12th at 8:00 a.m. at St. Paul’s Catholic Church located at 21650 W. 115th Terrace in Olathe. All are welcome!!

Pregnant? Need Help? The Gabriel Project provides spiritual, emotional and material help. Call 913-602-0306 or visit gabielpjckc.com. All calls are confidential.

Hurting because of an abortion, Jesus loves you and heals through Project Rachel for women and Project Joseph for men, projectrachelkc@archkck.org, 913-287-8287, 888-246-1504.
YOUR GIFTS OF GRATITUDE
September 22, 2019

New Church Construction
Cost..........................................................$3,797,053.47
Paid to date.................................................$2,810,514.50
Loan Balance..............................................$986,538.97*
Monthly Loan Payment ..............................$7,641.93
  (Principal: $4,973.12  Interest: $2,668.81)
*Includes interest on loan

General Collection
Envelope & Cap Campaign..............................$5,881.00
Online Envelope & Cap Camp..........................$1,660.00
Plate............................................................$260.00
Candles ......................................................$29.00
Capital Improvements .................................$20.00
Religious Ed Fees .......................................$20.00
Maintenance ................................................$50.00
Total for Operating Budget............................$7,920.00
Weekly Goal (Operating) ..............................$7,722.00
Difference ...................................................+$198.00

Other Collections
Total Collected............................................$0.00

Collections Sent To Archdiocese
Total Collected............................................$0.00

Thank you for your generosity to Holy Family!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS
October 5 & 6, 2019

Eucharistic Minister
Sat: Michelle Bregel, Mark Schieferecke, Terri Long,
Stefanie Brown, Marla Johnson, Roger Lenertz
Sun: Bob Heinen, Amy Stadler, Joe Stadler, Kelly Mulvihill,
Mary Lou Hamlin, Betty Thoennes

Lector
Sat: Ron Abel

Sun: Joe Reitz, Janet Campbell

Altar Server
Sat: Sara Schieferecke, Jonathan Eggers, David Minnoggie
Sun: Aaron Stadler, Brecken Brown, Mitchell Brown

Greeter
Sat: Bryce & Kendal Johnson Family
Sun: Linda Bruce & Kathy Carlson

Gift Bearer
Sat: Rick & Shelley Dougherty
Sun: Lori Foos

Usher
Sat: Stephanie Norris, David Norris
Sun: Ed Seidl, Ken Keiter

Rain didn’t dampen our spirited Holy Family parishioners as the parish picnic was brought inside. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for organizing this event and all their time and energy in making it a wonderful occasion for fellowship. Smoked pork was on the menu with many additional sides for a bountiful meal. (A special thank you goes to our family who prepared the meat.)

Some last minute changes to the Bouncy House allowed its placement in the lower social hall. Our little tykes (and even some adult tykes) bounced off some energy. Thank you to St. Theresa’s for sponsoring the Bouncy House and for the beautiful decorations and set up in the social hall.

Those in attendance had an opportunity to check out volunteer opportunities at the ministry fair. Thank you to all the volunteers staffing the tables and to our parishioners who signed up for new ministries or added to their list of support currently provided.

Getting involved at Holy Family is easy. Call or email Jill Connell at 913-706-9037 or connellgal@gmail.com and you will be contacted about your area of interest.

On May 23, 2020 Anthony Mersmann will be ordained to the priesthood - only the 2nd priest to be ordained from our parish in the last 70 years. For this joyful event, Betty Thoennes is organizing the sewing of 2 sets of vestments for Anthony. Anyone wishing to help with this sewing or monetary contributions, please contact Betty at 785-542-2984.

Pope Francis reminds us that the Church is in a moment of “spiritual turbulence.” He is asking Catholics around the world to pray the Rosary for the protection of the Church. The daily praying of the Rosary will unite the faithful.

During the month of October you are invited to join fellow parishioners in praying the Rosary 20 minutes prior to each of the weekend Masses.

Holy Family is a member of the Best Choice SAVE-A-LABEL program. Best Choice products are at our local Gene’s Heartland and other grocers. Please drop only the UPC symbol into the box in the narthex. We recently received $30 for our 1000 labels we sent in—thank you!
Readings for the Week of September 29, 2019

**Sunday:** Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

**Monday:** Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 (17)/Lk 9:46-50

**Tuesday:** Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday:** Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Thursday:** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9ab]/Lk 10:1-12

**Friday:** Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday:** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Lk 10:17-24

**Next Sunday:** Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

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**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

**Week of September 29, 2019**

**Monday, September 30**
9am † Victoria Koch
St. Jerome

**Tuesday, October 1**
7am Kevin & Amy Miller Family
St. Therese of the Child Jesus

**Wednesday, October 2**
9am † Rex Nicolay
The Holy Guardian Angels

**Thursday, October 3**
7am † Marge Gronniger
Weekday

**Friday, October 4**
9am Zach & Aubrey Brooks Family
St. Francis of Assisi

**Saturday, October 5**
8:00am † Thanh Nguyen
5:00pm † Donna Keys, Pfeifer Family
Weekday

**Sunday, October 6**
9:30am All Holy Family Parishioners
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Prayers For the Sick**

*Good and gracious God, send healing and comfort to each sick member of our community.*

- Veet Cleveland
- Doris Schehrrer
- Jessica Keeton
- Dorothy Sullivan
- Doug McInroy
- Tom Weathers
- Tim King
- Don Durkin
- Allan Beck
- Karen Heinen
- Debra Lemmons Snell
- Tina Jinkens
- Matt Ross
- Rose House
- Joyce Weis
- Brooke Abel
- Bill Hadl
- Tom Pyle

Please contact the parish office if you would like someone added to the list or if you wish to be anointed. Please let us know when your loved one is better. Names will be removed after six months.

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**Background of the Gospel**

**Luke 16:19-31**

This parable appears only in Luke and reflects the evangelist’s overriding concern for the poor and for social justice. In the tradition this is also known as the story of Dives and Lazarus, the former name stemming from the Latin *dives*, meaning “rich person.” It is one of the best known of all Gospel stories.

The information concerning the rich man’s clothing (v. 19) indicates that he is not simply well off—he is excessively wealthy. Purple dye was a costly commodity that very few people even among the rich could afford. These details heighten the contrast between the rich man and Lazarus, who not only has sores that dogs would lick but who even lacks the simplest garment to cover those sores. That Lazarus keeps company with dogs accentuates his dismal state, since dogs were considered filthy, undesirable animals.

Luke illustrates the theme of the great reversal in this parable, first outlined in the *Magnificat* (see Luke 1:46-55). In the parable the hungry are literally “filled with good things,” while the rich are “sent away empty” (1:53). The dialogue between Abraham and the rich man amply describes the new state of things. We know that the rich man cannot claim ignorance of the fact that someone hungry is outside his door, for he refers to Lazarus by name (v. 24). There is even an arrogant tone in his request: he does not ask Abraham for the favor but requests that Abraham command Lazarus to come down and refresh him. Most likely he treated Lazarus in a similar fashion when they both were alive.

Abraham, in his reply, ensures that the rich man knows exactly why he is where he is so that neither the rich man, now suffering the flames of the netherworld, nor the audience can conclude that he is a victim of a great misfortune. No, the rich man’s lack of charity and responsibility put him there; indeed, the rich man’s great sin of omission fashioned the chasm between the two. We are forced to wonder why the chasm cannot be crossed. The answer says a great deal about salvation and damnation.

The lesson is not that God is a God of damnation and punishment, inasmuch as it gives us an example of how much of a role we play in our salvation. The rich man was oblivious to the needs of those around him while he was alive, and now that he is dead, he is still oblivious, as his call for Lazarus’s services suggests. Herein lies the danger of wealth that Jesus always preaches: power and wealth blind us to the kingdom of God in this life and in the next. If we are not wide-eyed to the kingdom and its demands now, as Moses and the prophets tell us to be (v. 31), we will not be sensitive to seeing the kingdom after we die. The great irony in the story is that the rich man needs Lazarus in order to be saved. Had he paid attention to Lazarus begging for table scraps at the door of his house, the rich man would not be in the predicament he is in now.
BLESSING OF PETS
October 2, 2019
7:00 pm
Please keep pets leashed, held, or kenneled. Real pets and play pets are welcome!

On April 26th, 2019, the Kansas Supreme Court took power from the people and “discovered” a nearly unlimited “right to abortion” in our 1859 State Constitution. Prior to the ruling, our state’s abortion rates have been reduced by almost 50%. We can reverse this ruling and keep common-sense, lifesaving limits on abortions by amending the State Constitution. This will require a 2/3rd majority in both the Kansas House and Senate. From there, voters will weigh in at the ballot box.

The Catholic Bishops of Kansas are asking the faithful to sign a petition to state legislators beginning next weekend, October 5 & 6, 2019. We ask for those signing to be 18 years or older. We will be doing this at Holy Family during the month of October.

Join us for our monthly parish potluck next Sunday, October 6th following our 9:30 am Mass. Please bring a dish to share and spend some time with fellow parishioners. We hope to see you there!

All parishioners are invited to an evening of appreciation on Saturday, October 12, 2019 following the 5:00 pm Mass. Dinner will be followed by special guest speaker Bob Davis, past broadcaster of the Kansas City Royals, as well as, the voice of the Kansas Jayhawks. You won’t want to miss Bob’s stories from over the course of his long standing career in both TV and radio. Please RSVP by October 7th to Jill Connell at connell-gal@gmail.com or text/call 913.706.9037.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – A second collection will be held this weekend for 2019 Disasters to assist the victims of Hurricane Dorian and those that may be impacted from any other natural disasters that occur this year. The funds collected will be used to respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter, medical care, and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery. Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ that they may find hope, healing and support through these efforts.

BLESSINGS ON OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED MEMBER OF HOLY FAMILY!
Bodie Culberson Moore-McKenzie, son of Chad McKenzie & Carie Moore

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