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**From the Pastor**



During the Lenten season, we not only prepare individually for coming Paschal celebrations, but also a community of faith as we welcome new members into the Church. This year we have two catechumens (one who has not been baptized) and one candidate (one who has been baptized but is not in full communion with the Church). Our catechumens this year are Colby Lathrop and Jarred Stramel. Our candidate is Kerstin Decker. Please pray for these three as they make final preparations to enter into the Church at the Easter Vigil.

**Lenten Study:** Angelus – Tuesday at 7pm in the Rectory – Gaudium et Spes through Ch. 1. Oakley – Thursday at 6pm in the Rectory – Sacrosanctum Concilium – Chapters 2-4.

**The Lenten Confession Schedule for the West Deanery** is posted at each entrance of the churches. Please refer to them for upcoming confession times. Oakley is Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm and Angelus is Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.

**The Catholic Rural Life Centennial Celebration** will be held on February 29<sup>th</sup> at KSU St. Isidore Catholic Campus Center. This event is free to attend. Doors open at 5:30pm, meal is served at 6pm followed by the Catholic Rural Life presentation. RSVP by Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> to ensure their capacity to seat all guests for dinner. For more information you can either visit [salinadiocese.org/office/rural-life](http://salinadiocese.org/office/rural-life) or call Sienna Wingerson at (785) 282-8048.

**Lenten Norms:** A reminder on the Latin Catholic Church’s norms for Lenten Observances: 1) Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. 2) For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. 3) The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

**College Scholarships** – If you are a 2024 graduating senior, or the parent of a graduating senior, there is an article on the parish website under “Parish Headlines” for Diocesan Scholarships. Students are encouraged to apply online by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Sacred Heart School in Colby** invites you to join them for the annual School Carnival from 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m., Sunday, February 25, 2024. The Carnival is held in the school with games, bingo, a cake walk, kitchen/bath walk, concessions and prizes! Game tickets are 25¢ each or 20 tickets for \$5. Lunch is served in the Church Basement and the menu includes: bierocks, hot dogs, polish sausage, baked beans, chips, pie, cookies & drinks. Full meals are only \$5!

**New to St. Joseph Parish?** If you are new to the parish and would like to register, you can you can contact Fr. Luke, the parish office. or register on the website [sjoakley.org](http://sjoakley.org). Welcome!!!!

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS**

**Coffee and Conversation** will be held on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9am in the Annex. The D of I ladies will be serving rolls, coffee and juice. Come join us and get to know your parish family! Everyone is welcome!

**St. Joseph School Carnival** - The annual St. Joseph School Carnival is Sunday, April 28. We are in the process of preparing raffle tickets and could use your donation. If you wish to donate a prize for the raffle please contact the school office by phone at 785-671-4451 or email us at [schooloffice@sjoakley.org](mailto:schooloffice@sjoakley.org) before Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> 2024. Thank you for your continued support!


**ST. PAUL NEWS**

**St. Anne’s Altar Society** wishes to say **A Big Thank You** to everyone who supported Our Annual Bingo & Card Party.

**St. Paul Update:** Last week and probably the next two weeks are all prep work, scraping all the loose plaster off the walls and repairing the moldings with new plaster. Then it will be on to priming the church for painting. Visually, not much will seemingly be getting done, but I assure you, there is a lot of work being done, nonetheless.

**Capital Campaign Update:** \$638K pledged and \$365K in the bank. Thank you for your continued support!!!!

Periodic updates and pictures on the progress of project can be found both on St. Paul’s Facebook page and on the parish website <https://sjoakley.org/st-paul>



**Our Tithes from Last Week**

Oakley: \$2,473.00 Angelus: \$706.00

**DAILY SCHEDULE**

Sat	24 – 5:00pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	25 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Jim Stephens 10:30am Mass + Raymond Bussen
Mon	26 – NO Mass
Tues	27 – 8:30am Mass + Lillie Ludwig 7pm Angelus Lenten Study in the rectory
Wed	28 – 7:30am (Angelus) Mass + Jerry Gormley 7pm CCD Classes at both parishes
Thur	29 – 8:30am Mass + Todd Kuhlman 6pm Oakley Lenten Study in the rectory
Fri	01 – 7am Mass + Margie Schoenfeld 7pm Adoration, Stations of the Cross, Confessions 7pm Stations of the Cross at Angelus
Sat	02 – 8am Confessions 9am Mass 5:00pm Mass + Loretta Schoenfeld
Sun	03 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Daisy Fellhoelter 10:30am Mass – Parishioners 9am – Coffee and Conversation at the annex

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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Saturday Mar 2 <sup>nd</sup> 5 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Mar 3 <sup>rd</sup> 10:30 am	Servers	Alexander B, Jethro & Thomas C.
	Lector	Elaine Wycoff		Lector	Cheri Weber
	Gifts	Marvin & Rosanne LaBarge		Gifts	Drew & Valerie Krier Family
	Hospitality	Marvin & Rosanne LaBarge		Hospitality	Drew & Valerie Krier Family

Sunday, Mar 3 <sup>rd</sup> 8 am	Servers	LaRynn & Lettie Rumback
	Lectors	Bill Kuhlman & Barney Dickman
	EMHC	None Needed
	Gifts	Ron & Elsie Rietcheck
Hospitality	Ron Bixenman, Daryl, Andrew, & Mason Bixenman	