

# *The Church of the Holy Spirit*

**Fr. Michael Nolan, Pastor**  
**Kelly Bright, Principal**  
**Debbie Workman, Office Manager, CRE**

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Sunday	8:00am & 10:00am
Saturday	5:00pm
Weekdays	8:00am (Tues-Fri)

## **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday Afternoons 3:00-4:00pm (or by appointment)

## **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Please contact Father directly.

## **REGISTRATIONS**

New parishioners, please pick up a Registration Packet after Mass or at the Parish Office (located in the metal building to the north of the Church). You may also register online at our website: [www.holyspiritwichita.com](http://www.holyspiritwichita.com). Forms may be returned via the collection basket, mail or delivered to the Parish Office.

## **BAPTISMS**

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of each month after the 10:00 Mass. Parents who plan to have their child baptized are required to attend our ***Baptismal Preparation Class*** held the second Sunday of each month in the school office. You are strongly encouraged to attend this class before your child is born. The Baptism Information Form must be returned to the parish office prior to the scheduled baptism. Please call the Parish Office at 316-794-3496 to register for the class.

## **MARRIAGES**

In order for weddings to take place here at the Church of the Holy Spirit, either the bride or groom must be registered in the parish for a minimum of six months before preparations for marriage will begin. In addition, the bride or groom registered in the parish is expected to be actively participating in the life of the church by living the Stewardship Way of Life. Please contact Father for additional information and to obtain a copy of our wedding guidelines.

## **PARISH PRAYER LINE**

If you would like to sign up for this ministry or if you have a prayer request, call Mildred Landwehr at 794-2727 or Mary Kaba at 729-9229, or any member of the prayer line.

*The mission of The Church of the Holy Spirit is to serve and follow Jesus Christ through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to grow in love and knowledge of our Catholic faith by the communal celebration of Word and Sacrament.*

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[www.holyspiritwichita.com](http://www.holyspiritwichita.com)

Parish Support-April 4 & 5, 2008		Parish Fiscal Support YTD	
Collection	\$ 15,869.77	Collection	\$ 573,053.50
Budget	\$ 15,675.35	Budget	\$ 611,338.65
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 194.42	Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (38,285.15)

*Using your printed envelopes reduces mistakes.  
For Implementation of Electronic Fund Transfers please  
call the office.*

*Thanks for your generosity!*

## Welcome New Parishioners

*Sean & Julie Cash, Aubree, Micah, Rylee  
Monica Fouquet, Timothy & Claire  
Jason & Jessica Wingler*

## Parish Announcements

**HOLY SPIRIT HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOC.** Will be hosting a garage sale during Goddard's Annual City Wide Garage Sales on May 2, 2009. If anyone is interested in donating items to be sold at the garage sale please leave them in the gathering space or call Reagan Biggs @ 794-3339 for a drop-off location. We will be serving cinnamon rolls and coffee for breakfast and BBQ Beef sandwiches for lunch during the sale. The annual Benefit Auction will return on October 17th 2009 new and improved, so save the date!

### HARVEST HOUSE

- ▶ April 26-5:00pm Potluck Dinner and Bingo Spirit Hall
- ▶ May 15. 8:00am Mass followed by breakfast at Gerrards

**HARVEST HOUSE POTLUCK DINNER** Harvest House members will have another potluck dinner with bingo following, on Sunday April 26th, at 5:00pm in Spirit Hall. Bring a dish and a wrapped white elephant for bingo. All parishioners who are 55 and over and their spouses are invited to join in fellowship and of course, eat! There will be a very neat prize given for the blackout game. If you have any questions contact any Harvest House member or contact Jo Anne Andra at 794-2684 of [joandra@uno.com](mailto:joandra@uno.com).

**HOLY SPIRIT PRESCHOOL** will open this fall. Classes will form three mornings and/or afternoons a week for 4 and 5-year-olds, and two mornings and/or afternoons a week for 3-year-olds. Detach the information form in the brochure (in hospitality area) and return to the school principal's office. Enrollment is also open to the general public.

**SAVE THE DATE** Church of the Holy Spirit Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 14th thru July 18th. More details will follow soon.

**YAC (YOUNG ADULT CATHOLICS)** would like to invite you to join us for an egg hunt for the kids at Tanganyika Wildlife Park located just north of the church on April 18th. The hunt starts at 8:30am, so get there a little early and don't forget the basket! RSVP to Sarah at 794-7921.

**TENTH ANNUAL KID'S FISHING DERBY** is Saturday, May 9th from 10am – 2:00pm at Doc and Pris Zellers home located 1/2 mile north of 215th St. W. and Hwy 54 on the East side. Lunch will be served and prizes will be awarded to ages 3-12. All ages are welcome. Just bring your pole, tackle, bait and a chair. No Minnows Allowed! Anyone wanting to help can sign up two weeks prior to the event in the Hospitality area. If you would like to donate, please contact Eric Wilson or Jeff Gronniger, Co-Coordinator.

**SUMMER BABYSITTING WANTED** at my home for two girls ages 6 & 9. If you are interested contact Amanda St. Peter at 794-3433.

Recycled Aluminum Can Receipts - April	\$ 134.40
Net SCRIP Proceeds -	\$ 148.30
Matching Gifts to the School - Y-T-D	\$ 5,615.34

Several employers participate in matching gift programs for our school. If you are interested, please call the church office.

**Total Registered Families: 367**

## JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN!!

*Our Operation Rice Bowl journey has ended but working towards global solidarity doesn't have to. Let us continue to **pray** for all those who work for justice and for those who benefit from the programs of Catholic Relief Services, and continue to **learn** how to stay connected with our global family. Thank you for taking part in the Lenten journey with Catholic Relief Service's Operation Rice Bowl.*

**APRIL HEALTH TIP** Have you ever had your blood pressure taken and wondered what the numbers represented? A blood pressure is a measurement of both the systolic and diastolic functions of the heart. The systolic function is when the heart is contracting; while, the diastolic function is when the heart is relaxing. For example, a normal blood pressure reading is 120/80. The systolic reading is listed as 120mmHg (heart is contracting) and the diastolic reading is listed as 80 mmHg (heart is relaxing). What is considered to be a high blood pressure? According to the American Heart Association blood pressure is considered high when there is a consistent reading of 140/90. Now that you know what the numbers mean, come and have your blood pressure read in the gathering space following the 10:00 a.m. services the first Sunday of every month.

**PRESCHOOL DONATIONS** If you have new or slightly used items that can be used for a preschool classroom, please drop them off at the school office between 8am and 4pm, Monday thru Friday. We are looking for Little Tykes items, storybooks, blocks, dolls, trucks, animal figures, puppets, etc. Thanks for your help.

## Surrounding Area Announcements

**ST. JUDE** is hosting a Spring Tea and Fashion Show on April 26th at 12:30pm in the St. Jude gym. There will be a presentation on American Girl doll collecting and a drawing for an American Girl Doll. Advance ticket purchase is requested. Adults \$8.00, Children, \$6.00 and 2 & under are free. For more information call St. Jude at 838-1963 or Karla Henke at 755-1656.

**THE FEINSTEIN CHALLENGE, NOW THROUGH APRIL 30** Catholic Charities is teaming up with the Feinstein Foundation again this year to raise awareness and support for the hungry. Feinstein will issue \$1 million match to agencies across the country in a challenge. Help us! Donate food or money (food items will be valued at \$1 per item) to Catholic Charities at 437 N. Topeka or call 316-264-8344.

**CRUISE NIGHT 2009** raised more than \$150,000 to help women and their children who are fleeing violence. More than 600 in our community attended the event. Catholic Charities extends a special note of thanks to all of you who supported this effort.

Tues	14	8:00am	† Tiburcia Ramirez
Wed	15	8:00am	† Holy Souls, Bob Steele, Ruth Reed
Thur	16	8:00am	Int. Curtis Gorges
Fri	17	8:00am	Int. Celebrant
Sat	18	5:00pm	Noel & Joy Gary 50th Anniversary
Sun	19	8:00am	† Marianne McCormick
Sun	19	10:00am	People of the Parish

**REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.**  
**A BEQUEST TO YOUR CHURCH CAN BE A LIVING MEMORIAL TO THE NOBILITY OF YOUR LIFE. A BEQUEST TO YOUR CHURCH PRODUCES TAX BENEFITS. OUR LEGAL TITLE IS:**  
**CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WICHITA**  
**FOR THE BENEFIT OF HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

**ROSES FOR LIFE**  
*A vase of silk roses is placed in front of the Blessed Mother statue with a red rose for each expecting mother in our parish, and one white rose for the unborn worldwide. The red "Roses for Life" will be given to mother and child once the baby has been baptized. It is a great way to see how much our parish is growing and to be reminded to pray for all the unborn. For more information, or if you are needing a rose contact Jody Gorges 794-3188.*

**Altar Society  
Schedule for Selling**

Apr. 18 Becky Anderson      Apr 19 Phyllis Betzen      Apr 19 Lisa Fouts

**UPCOMING BAPTISM CLASSES & FACILITATORS SCHEDULE**

Apr 26 Lisa Coyne      May 10 Tammy Alexander      June 14 Jody Gorges

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE  
APRIL 18 & 19, 2009**

	<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>LECTORS</b>	<b>OFFERTORY</b>	<b>SERVERS</b>	<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	<b>EUCHARIST</b>	<b>MEDICAL LODGE/ HOME BOUND</b>
<b>5:00pm Saturday</b>	Jim & Karla Wildeman	James Bartnick Chris Gorges Chris Kaba Spencer Kaba	Maury Kerschen Dana Rose	Jarrold Menges Family	Kip Landwehr Alex Kerschen Will Kerschen		Marcelo Casenove Colleen Casenove Chonci Lekawa Mary Woodburn Gordon Ritter Brian Kerschen	N/A
<b>8:00am Sunday</b>	Cliff & Jessica Lang	J. Raul Martinez Jaymee Clasen Tamara Bannister Terry Runberg	Rebecca Anderson Mary Lubbers	Erik Semrad Family	Justin Staab Molly Reichenborn Richard Prue	Brent & Jennifer Terstriep Becky McNett	Larry Lubbers Barry Burgard Edna Orth	Doug Anderson
<b>10:00am Sunday</b>	Confirmation Class	Confirmation Class	Chris Wiebe Lisa Coyne	Confirmation Class	Miranda Nelson Taylor White Lauren Rooney	David & Patty Arnold Walter Rooney	Louis Hotze James Pavlacka Ed Koehler Patty Koehler Ben Franklin Dennis Joynt	Kurtis Dugan

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Sunday April 12, 2009**  
Easter Sunday

**Monday April 13, 2009**  
No School, Parish Office Closed  
7:00pm Corridor Cleaning (Greg M. & Suzy M)

**Tuesday April 14, 2009**  
6:00pm G. S. Troop 460, Charity Hall

**Wednesday April 15, 2009**  
6:30pm Religious Ed. (Mass is Cancelled)

**Thursday April 16, 2009**  
6:30pm Little Flowers, Charity Hall  
7:00pm Altar Society, Spirit Hall

**Friday April 17, 2009**  
7:00pm Corridor Cleaning (Greg M. & Suzy M.)

**Saturday April 18, 2009**  
8:00am Altar Society Church Cleaning (Kerschen, Brown, Hedrick)

**Sunday April 19, 2009**  
Divine Mercy Sunday  
10:00am First Holy Communion  
5:30pm New Parishioner Welcome Dinner, Spirit Hall

**NEXT WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Sunday April 19, 2009**  
Divine Mercy Sunday  
10:00am First Holy Communion  
5:30pm New Parishioner Welcome Dinner, Spirit Hall

**Monday April 20, 2009**  
7:00pm Corridor Cleaning (Tom H. & Jeff St.)

**Tuesday April 21, 2009**

**Wednesday April 22, 2009**  
6:30pm Religious Ed.

**Thursday April 23, 2009**  
8:00am Mass in Spirit Hall

**Friday April 24, 2009**  
7:00pm Corridor Cleaning (Tom H. & Jeff St.)  
7:00pm Living Stations Pizza Party, Spirit Hall

**Saturday April 25, 2009**  
8:00am Altar Society Church Cleaning (Jacobs, Younger, Ziesch)  
Life Saver Sunday

**Sunday April 26, 2009**  
Lifesaver Sunday  
11:00am Baptism Class, School Office  
11:00am Barbeque Dinner  
5:00pm Harvest House Potluck Dinner & Bingo

**WELCOME CHRIS MARTIN TO HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH.** On Tuesday, Chris will join the staff of Holy Spirit Church as a Business Intern. Chris has a bachelor's in business and is currently studying for his MBA. He has generously offered his services at Holy Spirit to gain experience working at a non-profit. He will be available to us about 15-20 hours most weeks. He is donating his time and talent and will be a valuable addition to our work in the months ahead. May God bless him for his good stewardship.

**WANT TO PLANT A GARDEN AT HOLY SPIRIT? WE'RE HAVING A GARDEN VARIETY MEETING** on Tuesday evening, 7pm in Spirit Hall. Gardens are beginning to appear in many places. Do you think we should plant one at Holy Spirit? We need interested persons to let us know if there are enough volunteers and if there are persons who would head up the project?

We have already received some support in supplies and getting started. Our meeting on Tuesday will gauge parish interest and discuss if we should plant a garden, how large, and what to plant. Vegetables could be planted and raised for the benefit of parishioners, of persons in need, for the Food Bank, or for other purposes and people.

A garden could serve as a tool for science education for our children. It can also provide another venue for socialization and an opportunity for parishioners to come together to work and get to know one another.

Anyone who would be interested in helping lead or work on the project is asked to contact the church office (794 3496). The size of the garden can be petite or expansive, depending on the volunteers and on the choice of things to plant.

**PRAY FOR OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS.** Next Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, we will receive almost thirty young people at the altar for their First Holy Communion at the 10am mass. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin to share in this special sacrament with our parish community.

**NEW CLOSURES ON THE NORTH DOORS AT THE WEST ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH:** Automatic closures are being installed on the northernmost doors of the double entrance at the west entrance to the Church. These closures will make it easier for the wheelchair-bound and for persons who might need assistance opening doors. Electrical connections have yet to be made, but the doors will hopefully be operational shortly.

In the interest of taking care of the new mechanical equipment, so that it may long benefit those who will use them, we ask that children be instructed not to play with the doors or the buttons that open them. Those who use these doors will be most grateful for our good stewardship of them.

**THANK YOU—To everyone who helped us prepare and to celebrate the Easter Triduum this Holy Week.** Many persons cleaned the church, set up the art and environment, obtained liturgical elements necessary for the celebration, led us in song and proclaimed the Word, welcomed us and assisted us in the assembly, served in the sanctuary and in the congregation, and prepared a wonderful Easter social to follow the Vigil. Work was done inside and outside the building to make this a holy and prayerful experience. There were too many persons and too many tasks to adequately list everyone and everything here. Thank you for your love of the Lord and for your contribution to our parish observance of these holy days. God bless you for your good stewardship and generosity.

**LIFESAVER SUNDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup> AND 26<sup>TH</sup>.** A Better Choice will have a brief speaker at the end of each mass (two minutes) and will be distributing lifesavers to persons as they depart church. A Better Choice is a Catholic ministry providing Christ-like counseling in a dignified and respectful atmosphere concerning pregnancy issues, abortion alternatives and healthy lifestyle choices. Your donation and support would be deeply appreciated.

## EASTER SUNDAY

He is in our midst without our realizing it, just as he was with Mary Magdalene on that first morning, and as he would later that day appear to the two men on the road to Emmaus.

Sooner or later, the Risen Lord comes to us all, and speaks our name as he did that of Mary Magdalene.

So many of the post-Resurrection appearances of Jesus involved the sharing of food, the breaking of the bread. And it is proper to acknowledge and enjoy his presence among the living on this Easter morning, with the Eucharistic Meal. Holy Communion itself, is a Sacred Event -- as we are gifted by the Presence of God.

The Great Message of Easter is the reason for our joy. Because He lives -- because **Jesus is alive** and active in the world by the Power of the Holy Spirit, we can enjoy His presence with us, and the new life he brings, each and every day of the year. We don't really have to wait another 365 days to celebrate Easter morning.

Each new day the Risen Lord calls on you and me -- on all who believe in the miracle of the Resurrection Morning -- to be part of new life in Christ.

So the words of the psalmist are proven to be true: Weeping may tarry for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

May God bless you with a full realization of the Easter Miracle today -- and always.

Alleluia! He is Risen!

### Divine Mercy Sunday April 19, 2009

Through St. Faustina, the Merciful Savior has given the aching world new channels for the outpouring of His grace. These new channels include the *Image of The Divine Mercy*, the *Feast of Mercy* (Divine Mercy Sunday), the *Chaplet*, the *Novena to The Divine Mercy*, and prayer at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, *the Hour of Great Mercy*.

Although these means of receiving God's mercy are new in form, they all proclaim the timeless message of God's merciful love. They also draw us back to the great Sacrament of Mercy, the Holy Eucharist, where the living Lord, who suffered and died on the Cross and whose Heart was pierced with a lance, pours forth His mercy on all mankind, and grants pardon to all who draw near and honor Him. As Jesus told St. Faustina:

My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners...[I]t is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy. For them I dwell in the tabernacle as King of Mercy. (*Diary*, 367)

### The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Step 1: Using the traditional rosary beads, the Chaplet prayers begin with the Sign of the Cross, one Our Father, one Hail Mary and the Apostles' Creed.

Step 2: On the Our Father beads, say the following: Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of You dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

Step 3: On the 10 Hail Mary Beads, say the following: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (repeat steps 2 & 3 for all five decades.)

Step 4: Conclude, three times, with: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.