

Luke 3:1-6

Prepare  
the Way  
of the  
Lord



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

**All Are Welcome!**

123 N. Andover Road • Andover • KS 67002

**Weekend Mass Times**

**Saturday 5 p.m.**

**Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.**

**December 9, 2018**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**PASTOR** Father Kent Hemberger

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Sister Kathy, SSND / Spiritual Enrichment Ministry  
Shane Atwood / Building & Grounds Supervisor  
Kathleen Gideon / Parish Secretary

#### **Pastor's Perspectives**

The Advent Penance Service will be December 13th at 7 p.m. We will have several priests here for confessions. This sacrament of God's mercy is an opportunity for us to talk honestly with a priest about our struggles, perhaps gain some insight into how to move forward and receive God's forgiveness. This sacrament helps us leave the past behind and create a new path forward. I also offer the sacrament of reconciliation each Saturday from 4 - 4:40 p.m.

Year-end gifts to St. Vincent's are welcomed and needed. We are a little behind last year in our tithing income and we just barely had a balanced budget last year. So we need your help. Your gifts allow us to be a vibrant parish with good music at all our Sunday Masses, with faith formation for people at all stages of their faith journey, with an active outreach to those in need in our community, and with robust hospitality to build community and provide a warm welcome to all who enter our doors. Your support allows us to give flesh to God's love and bring people closer to Christ. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

The Christmas Call to Sharing by the diocese asks you to support the 37 seminarians and the 19 retired priests of our diocese. We have been blessed with 20 new priests over the past two years, which is the fruit of both the financial and prayerful support of the people of the diocese over the past many years. Consider a special gift this Christmas to support our seminarians and retired

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# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

**Tuesday December 11**  
8:10 a.m. †Shane Steinkamp by Marilyn Steinkamp

**Wednesday December 12**  
11 a.m. Victoria Falls Assisted Living  
†Betty Gallagher by Patricia Kitterman  
5:30 p.m. †Melvin and †Myra Kipp by Gary Kipp

**Thursday December 13**  
Noon †Pete Bauer by family

**Friday December 14**  
8:10 a.m. †Eleanor Dockers by Nick Dockers

**Saturday December 15**  
5 p.m. †Beverly Sand by Jean Temming

**Sunday December 16**  
9 a.m. †Art Schoenhofer by Jay and Sharon Bezdek  
11 a.m. People of the parish by Father Kent

priests. You may use the envelopes sent by diocese, or you can make a special donation through our online giving program.

Community Christmas is next Sunday, December 16, starting at 5:30 PM. There will be a pasta dinner for all, visits with Santa for the children, Christmas carols from our choir as well as the opportunity for the whole community to stop by and see our beautiful Nativity scene. The evening ends with an amazing concert by the Senseny Band in the Worship Space at 7 p.m. Best of all, everything is free and everybody in the community is welcome. Please invite neighbors and friends to come join us for this joyous evening.

Christmas Mass times are Christmas eve, Dec. 24th at 4 p.m., 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Christmas morning at 10 a.m. Christmas would be a good time to invite friends and neighbors who have nowhere else to go.

### WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new parishioners and visitors to our church! We hope that you enjoy your stay and if you would like to join our family here we invite you to **become a registered parishioner. Check out the Welcoming Desk in the Gathering Space.**

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sat. from 4 - 4:40 p.m. or by request

### MARRIAGES

Congratulations! Diocesan policy states that you contact Father Kent at least 4 months in advance so marriage preparations can be scheduled.

### Stewardship – “Fully Alive as Missionary Disciples”

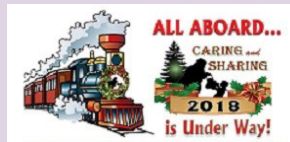
*In today's second reading, Saint Paul prays with joy and confidence for his friends in the Christian community at Philippi. He is encouraged that the community has partnered with him to proclaim the Gospel. He sees Christ's active presence and plan of salvation at work in the community. God's overarching plan is unclear to us. But when we see evidence of God working through others, doesn't it give us reason to hope that Christ is alive among us? Does the witness of others help our own prayer lives? Does it inspire us to be partners with others in promoting the Gospel? A practicing Stewardship life is not always easy or popular. Use this holy season to make the transition from the comfortable, to the uncomfortable; from calm, towards intrepidity.*

\* Tuesdays – **Adoration from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m.** in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel –



**Chapel open 24/7**

**Come pray the rosary, Sundays between Masses in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel.**



*Caring and Sharing will serve more than 100 families in our community this year. Volunteers have been calling families this*

*past week and it is humbling to hear the gratitude from the parents, knowing that we will help provide gifts for their children. We currently have more than 250 children on our list, so your help is greatly needed. We will be accepting gifts and donations until December 14.*

*We also provide a food basket for each family and still need 60 more four-pound bags of sugar. Other items that are needed include canned chicken broth, gravy, stuffing mix, canned sweet potatoes, etc. Food items need to be dropped off by Sunday, December 16th.*



**Budget Weekly Needs \$34,500**  
Weekly Collection

Regular Tithe	\$21,673.00
Children's Collection	\$105.00
Annual Fund Drive	\$2,919.00
Hospitality Income	\$190.67
GO Board/Designated Donations	\$1,963.79
St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$370.00
St. Augustine Indian Mission	\$908.00



**Community Christmas**  
Sunday, December 16  
5:30 - 8:00 PM  
All Are Welcome!

- Meet Santa
- Free Dinner
- Christmas Carols
- Kids Crafts
- Senseney Community Band - 7 PM

**Calling all Mass helpers!**

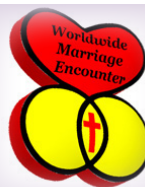
**It's time to sign up to help with our Christmas liturgies!** If you're an usher, lector, altar server or sacristan and you're planning to celebrate with us, be sure to stop by the Information Counter today. We would love your help at the Christmas weekend Masses. Thank you for all that you do!



**Harry Hynes Grief Support Group** Tuesday, December 11 in the Bride's Room at 10 a.m., sponsored by our Bereavement Group.

**Women of Friendship and Faith** - Please join the Women of Friendship and Faith Small Group along with women of our parish for lunch on Friday, December 14, at 12:30 at Timbaktu Restaurant, 1251 N Andover Rd. Bring a friend.

**The Knights of Columbus** meets the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. and our next meeting will be Dec. 10. Our meeting room is located on the second floor of The Ville, top of the staircase. If you are a St. Vincent De Paul Knight, we encourage you to attend. Please join us to help plan our future endeavors. Additionally, all Knights should be receiving email announcements for meetings. If you have not received an email, please send a note to Mark Benson at: [mbenson0859@gmail.com](mailto:mbenson0859@gmail.com). Interested in becoming a Knight? Visit [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) to learn what the Knights of Columbus organization is about or contact Mike James 316-253-1414 or [kmk-james@gmail.com](mailto:kmk-james@gmail.com).



**Looking for the best Christmas gift you can possibly give and receive?**

Make plans now to attend the next **Marriage Encounter** weekend at the Wichita Spiritual Life Center, Feb 22nd - 23rd. We did and it is easily the most important decision we have ever made, after deciding to get married in the first place! For more information, pick up a ME brochure in the church library area, go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org), or contact Jerry and Rebecca Gillespie at 316-214-8566 or [jerry67230@gmail.com](mailto:jerry67230@gmail.com). We will even be glad to help find childcare if that will help you make the decision to go!

**Who's up for a winter vacation in sunny Costa Rica?**

We are in the planning phase for 15 - 20 adults (21 and up, 18 if accompanied by a parent) mission trip to Costa Rica. This is the same place the youth mission went in 2017. There is still much that can be done to help these incredible people. We are looking at spending a week in country from Feb. 17 - 23. Room and all meals \$560 per person, with two persons per room. I'm working on a group rate for flight to and from San Jose, CR but expect to be no more than \$700. Go to [www.arenalvolcanolake-hotel.com](http://www.arenalvolcanolake-hotel.com) to learn more about the location and what other activities are available. Our host said to expect daytime temperatures from 70 - 85 degrees. For more information, contact Jerry Gillespie at 316-214-8566 or [jerry67230@gmail.com](mailto:jerry67230@gmail.com).

**SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER PROGRAMS; ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUESTED**

For more information and to register please visit [www.slcwichita.org](http://www.slcwichita.org) or call (316) 744-0167.

**AN EVENING WITH DIRTY VAGABOND MINISTRIES**

Monday, Dec. 10; 7-9 p.m. On this Monday evening, Wichita missionary Andy Churray will give his testimony about Dirty Vagabond Ministries. He will share how he learned about and got involved in the organization, and some of the great stories and fruits that he has seen from it. \$10

**DINNER WITH THE DOCTORS: SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS**

Friday, Dec. 14; 6-8:30 p.m. Enjoy a delicious meal, fellowship, and a talk on this great doctor of the Church. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., and a presentation on Saint John of the Cross begins shortly thereafter. \$15

**NEW YEARS' EVE MARIAN RETREAT**

December 31; 7 p.m. - midnight. Celebrate New Year's Eve by ringing in the New Year with Our Lady. Program includes conference, adoration, Mass and an indoor procession. \$20 (overnight accommodations available)



Amy Schmondiuk  
 Andrew Baldwin  
 Andy Pelz  
 Barry Smith  
 Bella Alderman  
 Betsy Smith  
 Betty Dieker  
 Brenda Fiola  
 Carol Olson  
 Carol Rahn  
 Daina Blencoe  
 Daniel Morgan  
 Danny Flax  
 Debby Haskell  
 Dorale Pauly Gerlach  
 Floyd Andrew Webster  
 Gil Ponte  
 Gregg Tanner  
 Jackolin Swart  
 Jane Latsko  
 Janella Crabtree  
 Jeanne and Louis Barr  
 Jan Glenn  
 Janice Frantz  
 Jerry and Donna Lies

Jerry Cornejo  
 Jim M. Speer  
 John Wagle  
 Joe and Tracy Krasuski  
 Josephine Barrabra  
 Judy Reagan  
 Julia Wagle-Scott  
 Kenneth Helms  
 Kimberly Hopper  
 Leon Drouin  
 Lillian Fichlenkort  
 Lori Hoppock  
 Mary Bussey  
 Mary Elizabeth Beall  
 Mason Norris  
 Norah West  
 Paul Graber  
 Phil Knapp and family  
 River Jean Engel  
 Sarah Hope Habashy  
 Tim Quint  
 Tom Warren  
 Tony Nash  
 Travis Johnson  
 Tyler Clayton

**Prayerful Remembrance** – If you would like to notify the parish that a friend, loved one, or fellow parishioner is ill or in the hospital, please call the office @ 733-1423. Names for our prayer list will be placed in the bulletin for one month, and then a request must be resubmitted. You may also call Elaine Carney @ 207-3000 or 733-7818 to be placed on our phone prayer line.

Upcoming **BAPTISMAL DATES** are listed below. Please contact Kathleen at the parish office, 733-1423

December 15 during the 5 p.m. Mass  
 December 23 during 9 a.m. Mass  
 December 30 during the 11 a.m. Mass  
 January 5 – during the 5 p.m. Mass  
 January 13 during the 9 a.m. Mass  
 January 20 between Masses  
 January 27 during the 11 a.m. Mass

**Baptism Enrichment Sessions –Worship Space.**  
 Please call Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 to schedule one session by appointment.

**EUCHARIST CAPTAINS**

December 15 & 16  
 5:00 PM Mary Borst  
 9:00 AM Maribeth Havran  
 11:00 AM Lloyd Wittman

**ALTAR BREAD BAKING – Start time 1:30 p.m.**

December 13 – Becky Spain, Janet Brinton, Carol Ludwig, Carole Ronek

**ALTAR SERVERS**

December 15 & 16  
 5:00 PM Alegra Fazio, Landon Rohr, Logan Huslig  
 9:00 AM Ally Bonifas, Nicholas Sporleder, Carlynn Pair  
 11:00 AM Daniela Blanco, Angela Parker, Cooper Gallagher 3

**LECTORS**

December 15 & 16  
 5 p.m. Caren Dressler & Lisa St. Romain  
 9 a.m. Peggy Collins & Rita Snider  
 11 a.m. Steve Smith & Chelsea Whitehead

**SACRISTANS**

Saturday, December 8  
 5:00pm K. Fiessinger, MA Truex, S. Comstock  
 Sunday, December 9  
 9:00am M. Holtzinger & J. & P. Swart  
 11am Audrey Placke & Janice Partridge

**SOUND MINISTERS**

Dec. 15/16  
 5:00 pm Peter Austin  
 9:00 am Joseph Seiwert  
 11:00 am Susan Farris

**TIME TRAVELERS**

Dec 15 5:00	Dec 16 9:00	Dec 16 11:00
Min: A. Massingill	Min: P. Egger	No Time Travelers
A Min: K. Massingill	A Min: H. Barscewski	
A Min: L. Farley	Min: L. Goodman	
	A Min: C. Van Epps	

**Friday morning COMMUNION MINISTERS TO THE INFIRMED**

December 14 Carol & Jim Ludwig

**WEEKEND COMMUNION MINISTERS TO THE INFIRMED**

December 15 & 16 - Lynn Fleming

**USHERS**

December 15 & 16  
 Lori Farley\*\* Rose Bennington\*\*Stacy Gash\*\*  
 Paul Kraus\* Marla Seachris\* Hilary King\*  
 Diane Kraus Karla Romero Gash clan  
 Sheila Ricke Romero clan Gabe Shankar  
 Farley clan Nick Bennington Aidan Shankar  
 Darren Farley Steve Seachris Rick Gash  
 David Ricke Joel Schaefer Hadrian Shankar  
 Amy Schaefer Rommel Blanco  
 Schaefer clan Jessica Parker  
 Blanco/Parker clan