



Dear Parishioners,

Everyone of us is called by God by virtue of our baptism to follow Jesus in a particular manner. This is what we call our vocation.

This weekend, we welcome Father Garett Burns, the vocation director for the Diocese to celebrate with us the Eucharist and to offer some thoughts on our vocations.

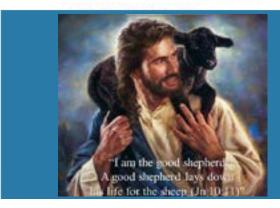
One of the most asked question of a priest and vowed Religious man or woman is "How did God call you?" For myself, it was a long process beginning in grade school, culminating when I graduated from college. Through scripture, mentors, and just simply the invitation of the Lord to "come and see," (John 1:39) I began the journey to the priesthood. I cannot imagine doing anything else!

All of us have a particular way the Lord wants us to follow Him. This is the stewardship way of life.... recognizing and receiving God's gifts, and sharing these gives in love of God and neighbor. Our vocation, or manner in following Jesus, is an act of stewardship!

Welcome Father Garett Burns to our parish!

Father Kenneth S. VanHaverbeke

PASTOR



Mass Intentions

Monday - April 22 - No Mass Acts 11:1-18 / John 10:1-10

Tuesday - April 23 - 8:10 a.m. *Acts 11:19-26/ John 10:22-30* **⊕** Father Justin Betzen prior pastor / 1955 - 1957
DOD April 22, 1993

Wednesday -April 24 - 5:30 p.m. Acts 12:24—13:5a / John 12:44-50 ⊕ Julia Diaz by Carolina Beltron

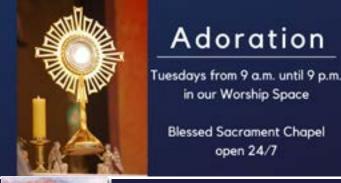
Thursday - April 25- Noon 1 Peter 5:5b-14 / Mark 16:15-20 ⊕Frank Wegerer by Kay Wegerer

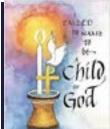
Friday - April 26 - 8:10 a.m. Acts 13:26-33 / John 14:1-6 Jim Gilmore by Dan Steigerwald

Saturday April 27-Acts 13:44-52 / John 14:7-14 9 a.m. - ⊕ Gene Miller by Gayle Beuke see Sunday readings 5 p.m. ⊕ Mary Kruse by Marilyn Ridder

Sunday April 28 Acts 9:26-31 / 1 John 3:18-24 / John 15:1-8 9 a.m. ⊕Sue Ellen Goates by Richard Goates 11 a.m. People of the Parish







We are excited to welcome new members at St. Vincent de Paul parish through Baptism!

Please call Kathleen in our parish office at 316-733-1423.

Confessions in Daily Mass Chapel



Confessions are heard 1/2 hour prior to all daily Masses, also from 4-4:50 p.m. Saturday afternoons.





Thank you to our Parish Mission Team and all the volunteers who helped make our 2024 Parish Mission with Fr. Jim Sichko a huge

success! We appreciate you sharing your gifts of time. talent, and treasure!



The Bereavement Ministry of St. Vincent's will be celebrating our annual Memorial Mass on Wednesday May 8th at 5:30 pm.

This is a chance to honor loved ones who have died in the last year. If you would like your loved one to be part of our celebration, please RSVP by May 1st to Kathleen Gideon at the Church office phone 733-1423 with your loved one's name and the number of people attending. There will be a light dinner to follow in the social space.

Budget Weekly Needs: \$34,500 Week ending April 15, 2024

Regular Tithe	\$10,005.30
Annual Fund Drive	\$1,470.00
Online/Electronic giving	\$31,319.67
St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$390.00
St. Augustine Indian Mission	\$162.00

Memorial Flower donations

Richard Goates honoring Sue Ellen Goates Richard and Elizabeth Monger honoring Herb and Sophie Gaspers





Calling all high school and college graduates of the class of 2024!

We want to include you in our annual graduation video! Please send our youth minister Shelby Wasinger (shelby@svdpks.org) a photo and the following information:

- -where you're graduating from
- -where you will attend college (for HS grads) -your major

All parishioners are invited to join us after the masses on May 18 and 19 for a special treat in the social space! We hope to see you there!

All submissions are due by Sunday, May 5th.





This is an exciting time for our parish and other parishes throughout the diocese as we kick off the One Family, Fully Alive in Christ! Diocesan effort. Some frequently asked questions about the One Family, Fully Alive in Christ!

Campaign effort.

How much will I be expected to give to the campaign? You will be invited to prayerfully consider a specific sacrificial pledge to the campaign. How much you end up pledging is, of course, your own faith-guided decision. We know that all we have is a gift from God. We give out of gratitude for our blessings and are asked to return to God in proportion to the blessings we have received. In this way, our gift takes on spiritual significance and contributes to our sanctification.

What kind of financial transparency can we expect during the campaign and beyond? Transparency is a top priority for the Diocese of Wichita. Summaries of diocesan fi nancial reports from past years are on the diocesan website, and copies of the complete reports are available from the diocese's financial office. Regular updates on campaign goals, projects, and fundraising will be shared during the campaign through several channels, including parish bulletins, emails, social media, The Catholic Advance, and the diocesan website.





Saint Pedro de San José Betancur

Central America claimed its first saint with the canonization of Pedro de San José Betancur. Known as the "Saint Francis of the Americas," Pedro de Betancur is the first saint to have worked and died in Guatemala.

Pedro very much wanted to become a priest, but God had other plans for the young man born into a poor family on Tenerife in the Canary Islands. Pedro was a shepherd until age 24, when he began to make his way to Guatemala, hoping to connect with a relative engaged in government service there. By the time he reached Thavana, he was out of money. After working there to earn more, he got to Guatemala City the following year. When he arrived, he was so destitute that he joined the breadline that the Franciscans had established.

Soon, Pedro enrolled in the local Jesuit college in hopes of studying for the priesthood. No matter how hard he tried, however, he could not master the material; he withdrew from school. In 1655, he joined the Secular Franciscan Order. Three years later, he opened a hospital for the convalescent poor; a shelter for the homeless, and a school for the poor soon followed. Not wanting to neglect the rich of Guatemala City, Pedro began walking through their part of town ringing a bell and inviting them to repent.

Other men came to share in Pedro's work. Out of this group came the Bethlehemite Congregation, which won papal approval after Pedro's death. A Bethlehemite sisters' community, similarly founded after Pedro's death, was inspired by his life of prayer and compassion.

He is sometimes credited with originating the Christmas Eve posadas procession in which people representing Mary and Joseph seek a night's lodging from their neighbors. The custom soon spread to Mexico and other Central American countries.

Pedro died in 1667, and was canonized by Pope John Paul II in Guatemala City on July 30, 2002. Calling the new saint an "outstanding example" of Christian mercy, the Holy Father noted that Saint Pedro practiced mercy "heroically with the lowliest and the most deprived." Speaking to the estimated 500,000 Guatemalans in attendance, the Holy Father spoke of the social ills that plague the country today and of the need for change.

The liturgical feast of Saint Pedro de San José Betancur is celebrated on April 25.

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Join us June 17-21 from 9:00-12:30 p.m. for **Scuba Vacation Bible School!** We will take the kids on a deep dive undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. The kids will be immersed in the Sacred Scripture and discover what living water is really all about!

Each day, the kids will launch into field-tested rotations that reinforce key teachings from Sacred Scripture and immerse kids in new adventures. They will rotate through Imagination Station, classroom time, games, music, and snacks! They will also celebrate Mass throughout the week! For more information, visit www.svdpks.org The deadline to register is May 17th!



Quilt Bingo

St. Vincent de Paul Church, Andover, KS \$20 for 20 games • April 28, 2024 • 1 p.m.

Sloppy Joe Lunch • Noon • \$5.00 each

Desserts • \$1.00 each

Quilt Raffle Tickets • 6 for \$5.00

