



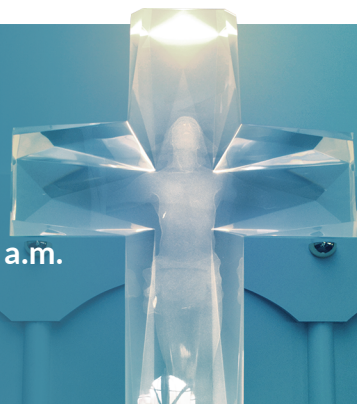
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ALL ARE
Welcome

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 5 p.m. • Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.

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January 4, 2026



Dear Parishioners

Our Christmas season will end on the shores of the Jordan River on Sunday, January 11. Between now and then we will celebrate Mary as the Mother of Jesus and the appearance of the Magi.

In many ways we are like these travelers looking for the Christ Child. While they had a star, we have the Saints, Mary and Joseph, and the church to guide us.

The Christ Child is no longer a child. He is the Risen Lord. Therefore we must not look for Jesus in the stable or in a house in Nazareth, rather Jesus is in our tabernacle, we recognize Jesus in the breaking of the bread, in the poor, in one another.

But we still must seek Him, and He wants to be found.

Blessings to you and your families this new year. May we be blessed with health of mind, body, and our spirits.

Father VanHaverbeke

PASTOR

Mass Intentions

Monday - - January 5

1 John 3:22-4:6 / Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday - - 8:10 a.m. January 6

1 John 4:7-10 / Mark 6:34-44

✠Patricia VanHaverbeke by Roberts Family

Wednesday - - 5:30 p.m. January 7

1 John 4:11-18 / Mark 6:45-52

✠Claire Guillemette by Jim & Mary Wilson

Thursday - - 8:10 a.m. January 8

1 John 4:19-5:4 / Luke 4:14-22

✠Sebastian Vettical by Kent & Jeanine Noah

Friday - - 8:10 a.m. January 9

1 John 5:5-13 / Luke 5:12-16

✠Msgr. Denis Daugherty January 9 (+2000)
Prior Pastor 1957 - 1961

Saturday - - 9 a.m. January 10

1 John 5:14-21 / John 3:22-30

✠Brad Crumley by friends

See Sunday readings

5 p.m. ✠Alan Thurston by Lillian Thurston

Sunday -- January 11 -

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 / Acts 10:34-38 / Matthew 3:13-17

9 a.m. People of the Parish

11 a.m. ✠Janet Dalrymple by Bob & Debbie O'Dell

Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Welcome

NEW PARISHONERS

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new parishioners and visitors! If you would like to join our family, we invite you to become a registered parishioner. Check out the Welcoming Desk in the Gathering Space, our website, or visit us in the Parish Office for more information.



Adoration

Tuesdays
9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Church Sanctuary
 Blessed Sacrament Chapel
 open 24/7



CONFESSIONS

IN THE DAILY MASS CHAPEL



Confessions are heard ½ hour prior to all daily Masses and from
4 - 4:50 p.m. on Saturday afternoons

✝ We are very excited to welcome new members at St. Vincent de Paul parish through

BAPTISM

Please call the parish office at
316-733-1423




Middle School:
 Tuesdays From 7 - 8:30 pm

High School:
 Wednesdays From 7 - 8:30 pm



Christmas Memorial Flowers

Robert and Ann Ferenc
 Patricia Lewis honoring Merle Lewis

Weekly collection period ending 12/22/2025

Regular Tithe	\$27,921.00
Annual Fund Drive	\$420.00
Online/Electronic Giving	\$25,082.00
SVDP Society	\$445.00
Hospitality Income	\$135.00
St. Augustine Indian Mission	\$502.00



Harvest House January 8

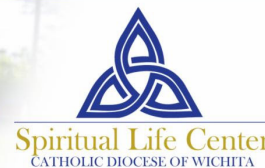
Luncheon following the
12 noon Mass
Homemade soup, salad & rolls - \$5

Speaker is Matt Vettel, Director of Development Support for Catholic Schools. Your gift to the SCS Tax Credit Program benefits low-income students across the Diocese of Wichita while you receive a 75% Kansas state income tax credit. The tax credits offered by the state reset on January 1st of each year and are available on a first-come first-served basis. Please attend this informative meeting.

RSVP
316-733-1423

Please bring a toiletry item for
our SVdP Society

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church



SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER PROGRAMS; ADVANCE REGISTRATION REQUESTED

For more information and to register, please visit
www.slcwichita.org or call (316) 744-0167

Domestic Church: Evangelization Retreat Jan 16 to 18, 2026

The Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat is for Catholic married couples who want to grow in holiness together as a couple and family. It provides a renewed experience of marital spirituality and an introduction to Domestic Church Movement formation.

Couples new to the Domestic Church Movement may choose to take advantage of continued formation after the retreat. However, the retreat can fruitfully be attended by any sacramentally married couple even if they decide not to join the movement. The retreat includes daily Mass, confession, talks, and time for couples to encounter the Lord together.

Retreat cost is \$375 per couple including overnight accommodations, retreat materials, and meals (Saturday breakfast through Sunday lunch), or \$325 commuter. Please register the names of both spouses.

Nursing babies are welcome! We ask toddler+ ages not to attend as it is a distraction for you as parents. The focus of this retreat is you and your spouse with God at the center, and even though we love them, 2+ ages will be a distraction for you as a couple.

Find more information and register at www.slcwichita.org or 316 744-0167.

Journey with the Holy Family to Egypt

Presented by: Fr. Dan Kampschneider

Mon, Jan 26, 2026 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Holy Sites and Insights

COME, journey with the Holy Family to Egypt as you celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family on December 28th.

Fr. Daniel Kampschneider, who served on the faculty of the Pontifical North American College in Rome and is now the Vicar of Retired Priests in the Diocese of Omaha. He has made the journey of the Holy Family in Egypt and will come to Wichita to be our guide.

COME to the Spiritual Life Center, January 26th, 6:30-9:00 p.m., and hear the untold story. It is sure to stir the imagination and deepen your appreciation for the Holy Family's early years and ongoing struggles.

What a great way to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family (December 28th) and call upon Jesus, Mary, and Joseph as we pray for those facing immigration and family challenges in our time.

6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Registration/Reception (Taste of the Middle East)

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Talk -- Cost \$15



St. Vincent

Chili

**COOK OFF
&
"SOUPER"-BOWL
PARTY**

**SUNDAY,
JANUARY 25
2 PM**

Chili Cook Off Competition will be held in the Social Space. Chili & Be Our Guest's famous vegetable soup will be served in The Ville.

Prizes for winners!

**VOTE FOR YOUR
FAVORITE SUPER BOWL
COMMERCIAL OF ALL TIME!**

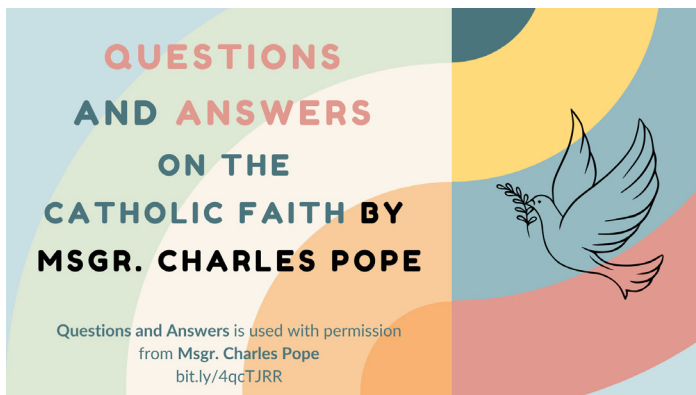
**JOIN THE FUN, WE WILL ALSO
HAVE FAMILY GAMES, PUZZLE
TABLES AND MORE!**

**PLAY OFF GAME WILL BE AIRED
LIVE!**

**Reserve your
spot today!**

*"In prayer it is better to have a
heart without words than words
without a heart."*

— John Bunyan



Question:

I regularly attend daily Mass, and I must admit I get a bit confused at Christmas time. The very day after Christmas we are celebrating the feast of St. Stephen the Martyr and later in the week we celebrate the feast of St. John the Apostle. Why do we jump around so much at Christmas? It feels like we lose the focus on Jesus' birth. ---James, St. Louis, MO

Answer:

Yes, and to add to your reflection, we also seem to move forward and backward in time during the Christmas cycle. The Feast of the Holy Family, celebrated on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year's, features a Gospel of Jesus at 12 years of age. And then at Epiphany, celebrated more than a week later, Jesus is back to being an infant. Further, we observe the feast of the Holy Innocents on December 28, a terrible slaughter that took place after the visit of the Magi, and then we move backward in time to celebrate the feast of the Epiphany on the Sunday near January.

Some of these anomalies are explained by the fact that the liturgical year did not develop evenly over the centuries. The feasts of St. Stephen Martyr, and St. John the Apostle, are very ancient feasts on the Church's calendar. The celebration of Christmas, and at the feasts related to Christmas, developed in later centuries.

It surprises many of us moderns that the ancient Church did not focus a great deal on the birth of Christ. We are very sentimental about Christmas and the baby Jesus. But the early church focused

primarily on the Paschal mystery of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection. In later centuries the Christmas feast became more elevated. But the focus was still more theological than sentimental. Thus, it did not seem so alarming that the very day after Christmas, we were back to celebrating other saints such as St. Stephen, and St. John. Later, as a celebration of Christ's incarnation deepened, theologically and culturally, there was developed the octave of Christmas. But the Church did not feel free simply to move aside the feast of St. Stephen and St. John, which were very ancient. As for the chronological whiplash of moving back and forth in time, within the Christmas feasts, we should recall that in the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy we access eternity, rather than merely chronological time. For God, all times and events are equally present, and we meet him there, rather than simply on our schedule.

