



## 4th Sunday of Advent

***From Bethlehem shall come  
the ruler of Israel.***

*Micah 5:1-4a*

Dec 23 to Dec 31, 2017

Mass Intentions + Memorial Mass SI - Special Intention Mass

### Sat Dec 23

5:00pm ST + Ronnie Tastove by Bob & Sharon Olson  
6:30pm SP Sally Hermreck by Brenda Ludolph

### Sun Dec 24 4th Sunday of Advent

8:30am SJ SI for the people of all 4 parishes  
10:30am SFX Joyce & Paul Haight by Jeanne Mancuso

### Sun Dec 24 Christmas Eve

5:00pm ST John Blaufuss by Donna & Doug Dieker  
7:00pm SP + for all deceased St. Patrick Altar Society  
members by the Altar Society

### Mon Dec 25 Christmas Day

8:30am SJ SI for the people of all 4 parishes  
10:30am SFX SI for Father Quentin

### Tues Dec 26 No Masses today.

### Wed Dec 27 No Masses today.

### Thur Dec 28

8:30am ST + Shirley Schillig by Jim & Betty Lutz

### Fri Dec 29

7:00am SFX + Loren Skillman by John Massoth

### Sat Dec 30

5:00pm ST John Blaufuss by Gene & Addeene Davis  
6:30pm SP SI for the people of all 4 parishes

### Sun Dec 31

8:30am SJ SI for the people of all 4 parishes  
10:30am SFX SI for our parishes in the New Year

**Main Office Hours:** 8:30am–11:30am: Tues – Friday  
We're closed every Monday and observed Holy Days.  
For a meeting time that better fits your schedule,  
please contact Father or the office directly. Thank you.

**Bulletin Deadline:** All items for the bulletin need to  
be submitted to the office by 8am each Wednesday in  
order to run in that week's bulletin. Thanks.

**+ Mass Intentions +** can be said as a memorial or for  
special intentions. A typical intention offering would be  
\$10 per Mass. Please contact the office if you would like  
to place a request.

Contact Father or the office directly for the following:

**Baptisms** - 3 weeks prior to scheduling.

**Weddings** - 6 months or more prior to scheduling.

## A message from Father Quentin...

*"Thus says the LORD:  
You, Bethlehem - Ephrathah  
too small to be among the clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me  
one who is to be ruler in Israel;  
whose origin is from of old,  
from ancient times."*

Micah 5:1

Let us not be surprised when the Lord comes to  
us from among the ones who seem insignificant.  
The Lord will be present and at work among those  
who allow Him room to work.

May we learn to be open and humble so that the  
Lord can be present among us and may we look  
for the presence of Jesus among the lowly.

God bless us all.

### Welcome to all Visitors!

If you are new to the area and would like to join one of  
our four parishes, or are visiting and would like or need  
Sacramental help or any other help during your stay,  
please notify the office or speak with Fr. Quentin  
directly. God bless you all!

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SJ 3pm - 11:30pm Wednesday  
SFX 8am - 10:00pm Thursday  
ST 9am - 9:00pm Thursday



### Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 – 5:55pm SJ Wednesdays  
7:30 – 8:00am SFX Fridays  
4:30 – 4:55pm ST Saturdays  
7:30 – 7:55am SJ Sundays  
7:00 – 7:55am SFX 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays

***Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;  
and his name will be called Emmanuel.***

Isaiah 7:14

## Announcements for all 4 parishes

**RCIA Instruction will begin again on Jan 4 at 7pm** at St. Francis Xavier for anyone thinking of joining the church or continuing faith formation (for anyone wanting to know more about our Catholic faith). Please speak to Fr. Quentin if interested.

**Mark your 2018 calendars now!! The new Everyday in Love Marriage Sessions** will begin in January and what a privilege to have this opportunity right here in our 4 parishes! Sessions will be held from 1 – 4pm on the following dates:

- Smart Loving Jan 14 St. Francis
- Passionate Couple Jan 21 St. Teresa
- Talking with Purpose Jan 28 St. Patrick
- Living the Dream Feb 4 St. Joseph

To register go to: [www.archkck.org/everyday](http://www.archkck.org/everyday)

## Archdiocesan Information

### **“Healing Family Breakdown” Spiritual Workshop**

will address how at some point every family in America has been affected by Family Breakdown. Are you tired of the family drama, insecurity and loveless-ness, and wonder how you can feel better? Are you heartbroken, wondering what you can do to help your family, including your kids or grandkids? Do you wonder how we got into such a mess and how we can recover? The Ruth Institute's "Healing Family Breakdown" Spiritual Workshop will be held at Ascension Parish, Sat, Jan 27 from 9am-12:30pm Go to <http://www.ruthinstitute.org/events/healing-family-breakdown> for details and registration information. You are not alone!

### **Please pray for the following:**

- + For our Holy Father, Pope Francis; Archbishop Naumann; Fr. Quentin and all religious that serve us.
- + For Nicholas Ashmore, Brent Stull, Joe Wahlmeier and all those discerning their vocation.
- + For Noah Foster, Stephen Szalsky, Greg Smith, Dominic Wahlmeier and all our military family members.
- + For all our faithful departed, those that will die this day and for all the souls in purgatory.

### **Please pray for all those in need of the Lord's healing touch...**

Don Adams, Sue Baldwin, Rachel Belcher, Wallace Birk, Patt Bray, Lane Brooks, Courtney Cowan, Frank Danford, Marty Ferrell, Liz Fraas, Mary Fraas, Matt Fraas, Fr. Paul Frank, Paige Grasser, Jan Heins, Ronald Heinz, Garald Hodges, Tony Jamar, Doyle Johnson, Kennedy Keehn, Molly Keehn, Marilyn & Roy Kuhlmann, Owen Looper, Cade Lenon, Al Lielshnieder, Garrett McCoy, Janice McDonald, Shawn Mead, Jamie Myers, Jim Nolan, Kay Salisbury, Brenda Schulte, Kinsley Spletcher, Jerry Whitworth, Ann Wiley, Danielle Wooten



## Youth & Young Adult Ministry Information

**One Thing Remains** for all Jr High and older will be held on Dec 30 beginning at 7pm at St. Patrick church in KCK. Fr. Scott Wallisch, Joe Heron & Mike Debus will present. For info: [www.archkck.org/youthministry](http://www.archkck.org/youthministry)

### **TEC – Teens Encounter Christ Retreat 2018 dates**

for all High School to College (age 21) will be held Jan 13 – 15 and March 10 -12 at Prairie Star Ranch. This 3 day personal retreat is a wonderful way to start the new year with Christ! Full and partial scholarships for students from all 4 parishes are available through the office. Contact Angela or Father Quentin for more details. For retreat information or to register go to: [www.archkck.org/ECATYOUTH](http://www.archkck.org/ECATYOUTH)

**Camp Tekakwitha** at Prairie Star Ranch will begin accepting registrations for the 2018 summer sessions beginning on Jan 30th for all youth 5th grade through Senior High. Full and partial scholarships for students from all 4 parishes are available through the office. Contact Angela or Father Quentin for more details. For more camp info go to: [www.archkck.org/camp](http://www.archkck.org/camp)

### **Jason Evert is coming to Rural Youth and Parents!**

Mark your calendars for Feb 3 & 4 and watch for more information and early registration.

**Jr. High Youth Rally** will be held this year Feb. 25 from 9am – 4pm at Prairie Star Ranch for all 6 – 9th graders with presenter Emily Wilson. Watch the bulletin for more details coming soon.

## Faith Minute.....

Christmas time is filled with symbols: trees, holly, and of course, the Nativity. But did you know that if you're married, YOU are a sign too? In the Christmas Eve liturgy, the prophet Isaiah tells us, "As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you."

At Christmas, we celebrate the fact that God does not love us from a distance. He became a baby boy so that he would share all of our joys and sorrows—all our sufferings except sin. As spouses, we proclaim this reality to each other and our families every time we share:

- Joy of our spouse's accomplishments
- Grief of a loss with our spouse
- The weight of an important decision

By entering deeply into our spouse's reality, we shine brightly like the Star of Bethlehem, guiding people to the love of God.

Discover more for your marriage and family at [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com)





## God's blessing for a very Merry Christmas!



### St. Patrick Parish Announcements

Feast Day: March 17  
The Apostle of Ireland

Saturday	Dec 24 – 7:00pm – Christmas Eve
Lector	Judy Broyles
Eucharist	Sue McCay, Jackie Klenda
Offertory	Kenny & Cookie Rausch
Saturday	Dec 31 – 6:30pm
Lector	Judy Broyles
Eucharist	Sue McCay, Jackie Klenda
Offertory	Kenny & Cookie Rausch

**NO CCD Classes will be held** during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.  
Blessings to all students and families!



### St. Joseph Parish Announcements

Feast Day: March 19  
Patron saint of fathers

Mass Intentions are needed for the parish at this time.

December cleaners: Irene Combes & Chianti Combes  
December Hospitality: Russ & Jennifer Stukey  
Pete & Jill Foltz

Sunday	Dec 25 – 8:30am – Christmas Day
Offertory	Marilyn & Jamie Glissman
Lector	Marie Drumm
Eucharist	Irene Combes, Michelle Lee
Servers	Andy Foltz, Jon Lee
Ushers	John Lichtenauer, Rex Arb
Rosary	Marie Drumm
Sunday	Dec 31 – 8:30am
Offertory	Henry & Melissa Hall
Lector	Joe Lichtenauer
Eucharist	Terry Arb, Pete Foltz
Servers	Jackson Biggs, Damian Foster
Ushers	Rex Arb, Russ Stukey
Rosary	Theresa Biggs



### St. Francis Xavier Parish Announcements

Feast Day: December 3  
The Apostle of the Indies & Japan

Thank you to everyone that supported the CCD youth's Christmas program. Have a very Merry Christmas!

<b>Church</b>	Dec - Janet Wahlmeier, Debbie Birk
<b>Cleaners</b>	Jan – Susan Mueller, Kara Reynolds

Sunday	Dec 25 – 10:30am – Christmas Day
Greeters	Damon & Gennifer Birk
Offertory	Jeff & Gwen Birk
Lector	Richard Mahoney
Eucharist and Cup	Kim Robrahn Michelle VanderLinden, Leslie Mahoney
Sacristan	Leslie Mahoney
Cross	Nikita Rogers
Servers	Taven Allen, Grace Birk
Ushers	Chris Jones, John Massoth
Hospitality	None – Merry Christmas!
Rosary	Christmas Choir Music
Sunday	Dec 31 – 10:30am
Greeters	Theresa Martin
Offertory	Kara Reynolds family
Lector	Donna Patterson
Eucharist and Cup	Kim Beyer Sharon Beyer, Donna Patterson
Sacristan	Leslie Mahoney
Cross	Eric Faimon
Servers	Trey Faimon, Cameron Clay
Ushers	Greg Stice, Derek Birk
Hospitality	None- Happy New Year!
Rosary	Philip Decker

### Prayer for Christmas

Remember us, O God;  
From age to age be our comforter.  
You have given us the wonder of time,  
the blessings of the year.  
Bless us, your children,  
at this Christmas time  
and fill our hearts and the months ahead  
with the bright hope that is ours  
in the coming of your son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.  
You are our God, living and reigning,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.

**Winter Weather Updates:** During bad weather, we will notify you of our 4 parish Mass status by Flock Note and area News broadcasts. Please check your flock note messages and watch local television stations for cancellations. God's blessings to all for safe travels during this wintertime.



## St. Teresa Catholic Church

404 Garrison Ave  
Westphalia, KS 66093

**Saturday Evening Mass 5pm**  
**Fr. Quentin Schmitz**

### Mass Assignments for December 24<sup>th</sup>

**Servers:** Guy Young, Austin Teter, Avery Blaufuss, Alana Mader

**Lector:** Jeff True

**Cantor:** Evelyn Ervin

**Offertory Gifts:** Robert & Margie Tastove

**Eucharist Ministers:** Larry Dieker, Marilyn Brooks, Mary Ann Morgan

**Ushers:** Terry Schillig, Frank Tastove

### Mass Assignments for December 30<sup>th</sup>

**Servers:** Katelynn Renyer, Lily Blaufuss, John Henry Rolf

**Lector:** Mick Blaufuss

**Cantor:** Ruth Pracht

**Offertory Gifts:** Jim & Ellen Thweatt

**Eucharist Ministers:** Robert & Margie Tastove, Irene Tastove

**Ushers:** Margie Highberger, Wilma Setter

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

“May we be in this world a ray of that light which shone forth from Bethlehem,  
bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all men and women.”

–Pope Francis

### Announcement/Special News:

Thank you to the ladies who help clean and to make our church ready for the holiday season. Many enjoyed our children’s Christmas program last weekend. It was entertaining to watch and the get together afterwards was enjoyable.

Congratulations to Felicity June on her baptism. She was baptized on Sunday, December 17, 2017. Proud parents are Ryan & Gessica Tastove, and her Godparents are Caitlyn Renyer and Westin Holloway. May God bless her and all who will help raise her in her faith.