



**St. Dominic
St. Francis Xavier
Catholic Church**
Our Lady of Snows Shrine



May 6, 2018

The 6th Sunday of Easter

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SACRAMENTS

WEEKEND MASSES

5:30 pm Sat. Vigil @ St. Dominic
8:00 am Sun. @ St. Francis Xavier
10:30 am Sunday @ St. Dominic

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Wed. 8am @ St. Dominic
Thu. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Fri. 8am @ St. Dominic
No Mass Mon. or Sat.. Morning

RECONCILIATION

30 Minutes prior to
5:30 pm and 8:00 am Mass
Anytime by appointment

MARRIAGE

Contact the parish 9 months prior to
preferred wedding date

BAPTISM

Contact the office after
birth of the child

R E F L E C T I N G O N G O D ' S W O R D

As a nation, we are a mobile people. Not only do we travel around during vacations, for special events, and for visiting family and friends, but we readily move from one place to another for college, work, health reasons, and finally retirement. While previous generations usually stayed with one job and in one house for practically all of their lives, today it is common to move from one place to another, to a different state or even to a different country. This mobility carries over into our relationships. We can find that our lives take us from one set of friends to another, from one close relationship to another. So Jesus' admonition to remain in his love can sound quite challenging to people whose lives are characterized by change and impermanence. The word "remain" is sometimes translated as "abide." The meaning of this invitation is to "take up permanent residence." Last week Jesus called us to "remain" in his word; this week, to "remain in my love" (John 15:9). Jesus tells us how to do this (by keeping his commandments), why we should do this (so that his joy might be in us and our joy complete), what specifically we should do (love one another as I have loved you, that is, by laying down my life for you), and what is to be gained by doing this (an ongoing friendship with him that bears fruit and gains whatever we ask the Father in his name). Not a bad exchange for settling down . . . in his love.—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

April 29, 2018

St. Dominic:

Envelopes* \$ 2,410.00
Plate \$ 257.00
Total: \$ 2,667.00

Week of Apr. 22 \$ 1,706.00
Week of Apr. 15 \$ 2,278.08

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$2,719.11

St. Francis Xavier:

Envelopes* \$ 1,442.00
Plate \$ 118.50
Total: \$ 1,560.50

Week of Apr. 22 \$ 1,337.00
Week of Apr. 15 \$ 1,320.00

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$1,971.04

**Thank you for your
continued generosity**

Eucharistic Ministers for the weekend of May 12-13th

Homebound: Annette Schreiber

Nursing Homes: Wayne Leiker

**Ministry Schedule for the
The Ascension of the Lord**

<u>St. Dominic</u> <u>May 12th~ 5:30 pm</u>	<u>St. Francis Xavier</u> <u>May 13th~ 8:00 am</u>	<u>St. Dominic</u> <u>May 13th~ 10:30 am</u>
COMMUNION	COMMUNION	COMMUNION
Alberta Lierz Jean Lierz Mark Pruett Vickie Pruett Volunteer	Damon Putnam Joann Walker Ray Zeller Bob Butts Sharon Cole	Dave Schmitz Gail Schmitz Galen Brucken Susan Schirmer Michele Haverkamp
LECTOR	LECTOR	LECTOR
Barb Heideman	Zachary King	Niki Meerpohl
ACOLYTE	ACOLYTE	ACOLYTE
Abigail Schlodder Elizabeth Schuster Renn Deters	Colin Evert Carson Beam Alyssa Berns	Tegan Bowhay Eric Koon Jonny Koon
MUSIC	MUSIC	MUSIC
Charleen Herbers Utz, Erhardt	Joan Hood Carolyn Hanson	Cathleen Reed Leigha Sweet
GREETERS / USHERS	GREETERS / USHERS	GREETERS / USHERS
Rick Heinen Katie Heinen Rick Heinen Bob Fox	Larry Reilly Marceta Reilly Ray Zeller Bob Butts	Ruben Zeller Family Ruben Zeller Dan Fiedler

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The 6th Sunday of Easter

SATURDAY, May 5th~
 St. D 5:30 PM James Schermerhorn (D)
 SUNDAY, May 6th~
 St. F 8:00 AM For All Parishioners
 OLS 8:30 AM
 St. D 10:30 AM Darline Huftles (D)
 TUESDAY, May 8th~
 St. F 8:00 AM Debbie Larkin (D)
 WEDNESDAY, May 9th~
 St. D 8:00 AM Vocations
 THURSDAY, May 10th~
 St. F 8:00 AM Ernest Haug (D)
 FRIDAY, May 11th~
 St. D 8:00 AM Susan Nelson (D)

The Ascension of the Lord

SATURDAY, May 12th~
 St. D. 5:30 PM For All Parishioners
 SUNDAY, May 13th~
 St. F 8:00 AM Bud Williams (D)
 OLS 8:30 AM
 St. D 10:30 AM Bill & Rita McAsey (D)

CHURCH CLEANERS:

May 6-13 Becky Grollmes, Clara Child
 May 14-20 Reith Family
 May 21-27 Gary & Annette Schreiber
 May 28-June 3 Bertulfo Family
 June 4-10 Karen Leiker, Kay Ludvick

Please contact the office ahead of time and let us know when you are planning on cleaning so that the church will be unlocked and the lights can be turned on for you.

Thank you for your service to your parish. You can still volunteer by calling the office at 364-3262

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 Wayne Leiker
 Karen Leiker
 Jackie McAsey
 Merlin Nelson
 Darrin Reith
 Janeil Stevens

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 Carolyn Koger
 Jane Coverdale
 Pat Doyle

St. Francis Xavier Finance Council

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 Bill Haug
 Chris Everts
 Larry Larkin
 Kay Andler
 Damon Putnam

People go abroad to wonder at the height of mountains . . . and they pass by themselves without wondering.

—St. Augustine

Youth Ministry

ST. DOMINIC ReEd:

- ReEd Classes PreK-HS, Wednesday, May 9th LAST CLASS
- ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
- ReEd Classes PreK-8th, Sunday, May 6th LAST CLASS

HIGH SCHOOL:

- High School ReEd Classes, May 9th, LAST CLASS~ Meet at St. Dominic

TOTUS TUUS

JUNE 9-16 St. Dominic Hall

Registration due by May 30th

Extra registration forms available at both church entrances.

St. Dominic Knights of Columbus

Mother's Day Breakfast

Sunday, May 13, 2018

Serving from 7:00-10:00 Am

St. Dominic Hall

Novena Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Archbishop Naumann has invited all members of the archdiocese to pray for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Catholic community of northeast Kansas. The novena is to take place on the nine days leading up to the Feast of Pentecost so will begin on May 11, 2018 and end on May 20, 2018. Like the disciples, who gathered to pray for guidance and strength in leading others to Christ, our prayer will be for the Holy Spirit to enkindle each individual heart and parish community with a renewed fervor for the Gospel.

Prayer cards are available at the entrances of both churches. Please consider picking one up and using it for those nine days.

Marley Wareham, daughter of Robert & Heidi Wareham, a student at Kansas State University is participating in a Walk for Life for 2018 event sponsored through the Life Choice Ministries of Manhattan, Ks. today, May 5th and would appreciate anyone interested in sponsoring her for this event. Donations go to support Crisis Pregnancy Centers in the Manhattan area.

Sponsors may donate online at www.lifechoice.org by clicking the "Give" button and listing Walk for Life and Marley Wareham as the purpose of the gift. Also, any checks should be made payable to "Life Choice Ministries" and all donations are tax deductible. For any other questions or information about the event, feel free to search the URL: www.lifechoices.org or contact them by phone: 785-776-9406 or contact Marley at 785-851-7284. Donations can be sent to her address at 1400 Hartford Rd., Manhattan, Ks 66502.

AUDIO ACCESS TO THE LEAVEN

The Leaven is available through the University of Kansas Audio-Reader Service for those who are blind, have low vision or are otherwise print disabled (non-reader dyslexic). For information on how to receive this service, contact the Audio-Reader general office at 785-864-3054 or email tracunas@archkck.org.

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Kent Askren (nephew of Cletemae Brown); Carol Barton (Friend of Dean & Ramona Robinson); Sonya Bergman; George Bolz; Angela Brewer; Estelle Danner; Deb Davies; Dick DeVader (Brother of Ramona Robinson); Sharon DeVader; Steve Devlin; Kathy Estabrook (sister of Terry Ludvick); Sheila Fernkopf; Brad Fiedler; Dennis Fiedler; Sam Gerry; Ann Glassman (Mother of Mary Wahlmeier); Vivian Gonzalas; Brad Gould; Carly Grant (great granddaughter of Joan Hood); Jenny Harigan; Jared Harris (grandson of Mary Harris); Mary Harris; Pat Hasenkamp; Ernest Haug (Brother of Bill Haug); Jerry Huftles (father of Jackie McAsey); Frank Hulsing (Father of Shannon Henry); Charles Kennedy; Adrian Koch; Rheva Korte; Shari Lott (sister-in-law of Russell Schuetz); Rita Martin; Mary Morford; Don Morris; Lynne Mulroy; Luisa Munoz (sister of Anna Alvarez); Erin Norwood and daughter Bailey (Larkin Family Members); Kristina Oates (granddaughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Gean O'Toole (Mother of Jim O'Toole); Calvin Page; Carolyn Reicherter; Cameron Renfro; Mary Riniker (Sister of Regina Butts); Ronna Rowe (Family Member of Hilda Hrenchir); Shelly Russell (daughter of Karen McClaskey); Virginia Ryan (Grandmother of Scott Bond); Peggy Sanderson (friend of Mary Morford); Lonnie & Helen Sands (brother and sister-in-law of Joan Hood); Chris Schiefelbein (brother of Gene Schiefelbein); Laura (daughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Emma Schirmer; Easton Shelton (son of Eric and Stephanie Shelton); Cliff Spelts (brother-in-law of Terry Ludvick); Special Intentions of Sheila Springer; Nancy Versch Stereit; Evelyn Sullivan; Janie Teetzel; Margaret Waggoner (sister of Kay Ludvick); Laveda Wahweotten (mother of Tina Wahweotten); Gregg Watkins; James Wecker; Max Wichman (Son of Jeanette Wichman)

We pray for those among us who are ill, their families and for their care-giver; those experiencing a hardship or difficulty; and for those in the Armed Forces protecting our freedom.

To place someone's name on the prayer list or to remove a name, please call the Parish Office (364-3262)

Scripture Insights~

On the Sixth Sunday of Easter, we continue our focus on the community of the resurrected Christ, the Easter community that is living and life-giving. In the First Reading, Luke tells the story of Peter's encounter with Cornelius, a Roman centurion and a "God-fearer" (a Gentile proselyte to Judaism). Biblical scholars think that these were the first Gentile followers of Jesus. Peter's speech highlights one of the four marks of the Church, namely, its universality or catholicity. As Peter expresses his new insight, that "God shows no partiality," the Holy Spirit descends on Cornelius and his relatives even before they were baptized.

In the Second Reading, we hear again about the love relationship between God and the Christian community. Genuine and self-giving love is an attribute of God, which was revealed in the person of Jesus. But like any good relationship, this divine love comes with an obligation: to love one another.

Using the imagery of slave and friend, today's Gospel continues to explore the theme of divine love and love for one another. During his farewell discourse on the night he is arrested and put to death, Jesus explains to his disciples that they are no longer slaves. Rather, they are his friends. This is possible because he is about to complete the most perfect act of love on their behalf, and because they know him as one who abides with the Father and with them. The lesson is for us as well as the disciples: as a community of faith, we are Jesus' friends if we love one another.

The First Reading is only the dramatic ending of a wonderful story. In your Bible read all of chapter 10 and reflect on how God brings about changes in our thinking. What prompts Peter to say "God shows no partiality" and how does he know that the Holy Spirit had come upon Cornelius and his household?

- As you reflect on the Gospel, what does it mean to you to remain in Jesus' love as he remains in the Father's love?
- What do you think connects today's Responsorial Psalm with the First Reading?

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

In the Gospel for the Sixth Sunday of Easter we are met with an extraordinary challenge: Jesus commands us to "love one another as I love you" (John 15:12). The letter from John echoes this command. Of course, we are to love those in our family, those we work with, those we like. But the scriptures make clear that we are also to love those we never notice, those we purposely avoid, and even those we are tempted to despise.

In this Sunday's selection from the Acts of the Apostles Peter shows us how far God's love extends, and how far our love should extend in response. Peter realizes that God no longer "shows partiality" to the Jews, sharing divine love exclusively with them. Christ has revealed that God's love extends to all people, and so should ours.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In ancient Rome, the beautiful month of May was dedicated to the goddess Flora, the patroness of flowers and new life. May 1 was considered the beginning of abundant growth, and a day for public festivals aimed at expelling winter. Even after Christianity took hold, the customs of the pagan feast lingered behind. Long ago, there was a thirty-day devotion to Mary, sometimes called "Lady Month," which began on August 15. By the eighteenth century, the custom of assigning devotions to months of the year was developing. June, for example, was the month of the Sacred Heart, and October was for the Holy Rosary. Beginning with the Jesuit Order in Rome and spreading throughout the world, May has been celebrated as the month of Mary, the Blessed Mother, for more than two hundred years. That was a welcome remedy to some enduring pagan practices, such as maypole dancing and the crowning of the May Queen. Some historians say that in ancient times the May Queen was actually a human sacrifice. Devoting May to Mary is undoubtedly a better thing to do.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, May 8th		Wednesday, May 9th		Thursday, May 10th		Friday, May 11th	
St. Dominic	Eucharistic Adoration 2-5:00 am	8:00 am Mass Last RelEd Class 6:30 pm				8:00 am Mass	
St. Francis Xavier	8:00 am Mass			8:00 am Mass Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm			
Saturday, May 12th		Sunday, May 13th		Monday, May 14th		Tuesday, May 15th	
St. Dominic	5:30 pm Vigil Mass	Mother's Day Breakfast 7-10:00 am 10:30 am Mass Graduate Sunday		Altar Society Meeting ~6:00 pm		Eucharistic Adoration 2-6:00 pm	
St. Francis Xavier		8:00 am Mass Graduate Sunday OLS 1:00 pm Mass				8:00 am Mass	
Wednesday, May 16th		Thursday, May 17th		Friday, May 18th		Saturday, May 19th	
St. Dominic	8:00 am Mass			8:00 am Mass		5:20 pm Vigil Mass	
St. Francis Xavier		8:00 am Mass Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm					



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