

# ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 | 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## REFLECTIONS

Most of us want to be “great” at something --- or many things. Great with people. Great at work. Great at school. Great at sports. Great at fixing things. Great at music. Great at making money. Great looking. Great at knowing stuff. Great at parenting. You name it.

And there is nothing wrong with any of it, nothing wrong with trying to be the best we can be at whatever it is we are trying to achieve --- whether that be something rather trivial and insignificant or tremendously important and essential.

But if we could only be good at one thing, if we had to choose --- what would that one thing be? “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.”

My friends, the spiritual life, the life of a disciple -- a life lived for, in, and with God --- is not easy. But it’s also not complicated. We really only have one duty, one responsibility, one “thing” we are called to be “great” in --- love.

A “great” person in the eyes of God is one who loves a lot, loves often, loves deeply, loves without counting the cost.

Fr. Peter



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“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” - Mk 9:37

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## THIS WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

### Monday

5:00 pm  
5:30 pm

### St. Anthony’s—Lakin

Rosary & Prayers  
Mass

### Tuesday

9:30 am  
10:10 am

### HPRV

Mass  
Communion/Visiting

### Wednesday

7:30 am (MT)  
8:00 am (MT)

### St. Raphael’s /Syra.

Rosary  
Mass

### Thursday

11:00 am  
11:45 am  
12:15 pm

### St. Anthony’s –Lakin

Confessions  
Rosary  
Mass

### Friday

7:00 am  
7:30 am  
8—10:00 am

### Saturday

3:50 pm  
4:00 pm  
5:20 pm  
6:00 pm

### Sunday

8:00 –8:50 am  
9:00 am  
9:50-10:25 am  
10:30 am (MT)

### St. Anthony’s—Lakin

Rosary & Prayers  
Mass  
Eucharistic Adoration  
& Confessions  
**Lakin**  
Confessions  
Mass (St. Anthony)  
Confession (Deerfield)  
Mass (Christ the King)

### Lakin & Syracuse

Confessions  
Mass (St. Anthony)  
Confessions  
Mass (St. Raphael)

## COLLECTION FOR 9-15-2024

**Envelopes:** \$660.00

**Loose:** \$383.00

**Online Giving:** \$825.51

**Total:** \$1,868.51

**Average Weekly Expense:** 1,761.17

**Income over/under** +107.34



## OFFICE HOUR

**T - F** 8:00 am -6:00 pm

# ST. ANTHONY CHURCH—600 SODERBERG STREET

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## DEAR PADRE,

### What is spiritual direction? How does it differ from counseling?

In spiritual direction, a person is guided in a process of reflection, self-discovery, and recognition of God's presence in human experience; the primary focus is on one's relationship with God. Thus, in one sense, it is the Lord himself who is the "director" in all spiritual direction. In counseling, a person is also guided in a process of reflection and self-discovery; but the primary focus is on human growth and development. Counseling does not presuppose a person's faith or relationship with God; spiritual direction cannot be complete without it. Both spiritual direction and counseling share the same expectations of openness and honesty in the process; they share the same standards of confidentiality and professional conduct. Moreover, spiritual direction is similar to counseling in its aim toward human growth and development, but it further aims toward holiness and "toward ever more intimate union with Christ" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2014). That union is twofold: a personal relationship with Christ and with Christ's Church. "This union is called 'mystical' because it participates in the mystery of Christ through the sacraments" (CCC 2014). "All Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of Christian life and to the perfection of charity. All are called to holiness: 'Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect'" (CCC 2013).

**The Redemptorists/DearPadre.org**



## WHO DO PEOPLE SAY YOU ARE?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Karl Rahner was a German Jesuit priest and a leading theologian of the twentieth century. He once observed that one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well. On first hearing this, we may be much like the disciples who didn't understand Jesus when he spoke of his own need to enter death (see Mark 9:31–32).

How do we learn to "die well"? If we forgo the need to always have our own way, if we forgive and resist the impulse to get revenge, if we are sensitive to the needs of others even when it's inconvenient, if we care for the child among us, whether that "little one" be five, forty-five, or eighty-five—if we practice a willingness to die in such ways, then when it comes time for us to make that final journey of our earthly lives, it will not be as frightening because we will have been there before.

Furthermore, if we learn how to die well, our lives will take on new meaning. The focus of our lives will not be on ourselves, but on others and their needs. We will find ourselves less disappointed when life doesn't go our way. Blue moods will evaporate more readily. We will have a greater interest in daily life. In other words, the very aspects that once seemed to drag us down will become doorways to hope and renewed life.

What once seemed to have been a kind of death will become an avenue to faith in the resurrection.

Jesus.



## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

When have I asked wrongly, whether for material things or status? Where has that left me?

## PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

¿Cuándo he pedido mal, ya sea por bienes materiales o posición social? ¿Dónde me ha dejado eso?

## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Greatness and success in God's eyes are measured differently: they are measured by service. Not on what someone has, but on what someone gives. Do you want to be first? Serve....

[Service] has a precise and concrete meaning in the Gospel. To serve is not a courteous expression: it means to act like Jesus.

## Readings for the week of September 22, 2024

**Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37  
**Monday:** Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18  
**Tuesday:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21  
**Wednesday:** Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6  
**Thursday:** Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9  
**Friday:** Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22  
**Saturday:** Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45  
**Next Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 (9a)/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

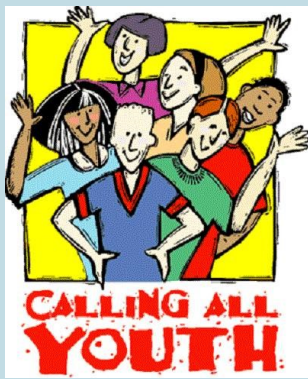
## Observances for the week of September 22, 2024

**Sunday:** 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest; National Migration Week  
**Thursday:** Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs  
**Friday:** St. Vincent de Paul, Priest  
**Saturday:** St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs  
**Next Sunday:** 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday ©LPi



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St. Anthony's is excited to announce we will be continuing youth group this year! This group is an opportunity for Faith and Fellowship for high school students. It will be hosted at 7:30PM on Wednesdays after CCD. There are no requirements, meals generally provided, come and go as you please. We will have game nights, Bible studies, movie nights, holiday parties and fundraiser to go to a conference/retreat in 2025. The first night will be September 18th at 7:30 pm with a walking taco bar. Please reach out

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS	
CCD Classes Start	September 18
Youth Group	
Budget Shop	September 28, Oct. 1
Parish Breakfast	September 29
Altar Society Meeting	September 29 @ 5:00 P.H.
Finance Meeting	October 1 @ 6:00 pm
CCD Classes	October 2 @ 6:30 pm
Parish Council	October 2 @ 5:30 pm
K of C Meeting	October 2 @ 7:30 pm



OCTOBER 24-27

Are you being called? Discover the Women's ACTS Retreat October 24-27 at the Heartland Center for Spirituality in Great Bend. An ACTS Retreat is a three day/three night Catholic lay retreat presented by fellow parishioners. This powerful experience will strengthen your faith, renew your spirit, deepen your prayer life, and connect you with others from the Diocese. Check out [www.actsdcd.org](http://www.actsdcd.org) for more information and registration.



### Diocesan Matrimony Anniversary Mass

You are cordially invited to join  
Bishop John B. Brungardt  
in celebrating the  
Diocesan Matrimony Anniversary Mass  
honoring those couples of the  
Diocese of Dodge City who are observing their  
5th, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 50+  
or other significant anniversary in 2024.

Sunday, October 20th, 2024 at 3:00 pm  
Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe  
3231 N. 14th  
Dodge City, KS

A light meal follows the liturgy  
in the Holy Family Social Center.  
Please register by submitting the form  
below or online @ [www.dcdioocese.org](http://www.dcdioocese.org)  
before October 10th.

Matrimony "is a great mystery, but I speak in reference  
to Christ and the Church" (Ephesians 5:32).

### O.C.I.A (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church or finding out more about the teachings of the faith? Consider joining the St. Raphael's OCIA program. The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith. The process invites participants into discernment, prayer, and spiritual formation. If you'd like to join us, please call please call Fr. Peter (620-355-6405) or Mrs. Karen Burdens(620-271-4506)

### ADULT CONFIRMATION

If any adult Catholic who hasn't been confirmed and would like to be confirmed this coming Easter Please call Fr. Peter (620-355-6405) or Mrs. Karen Burden(620-271-4506) On behalf of the Catholic faith community of the St. Anthony, we look forward to welcoming you.

**KNIGHTS NEWS** Any Catholic men who would like to be a K of C member please contact Tom Bachman—640-8259. We held meeting on every first Wednesday, except during Summer to build up brotherhood and help each other to grow in Catholic faith.

# St. Anthony Church— 600 Soderberg Street

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## PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:** Fr. Peter Tran 355-6405  
**Rel.Edu. Committee:** Karen Burden, 355-6388  
**DRE:** Lisa Gannett 272-6866  
**Parish C. Chair:** Gwen Waechter 272-1030  
**Finance C. Chair:** Tressa Powers 355-6206  
**Altar S. President:** Nanette Rice 355-7676  
**Grand Knight:** Tom Bachman 640-8259  
**Prayer Line Starters:** Allison Bushek 355-1696  
& Nanette Rice 355-7676  
**Vocation Team:** Nanette & Sandra 355-7676  
**Youth Director:** Hannah Schauf 316 765-4131

**Question:** There seems to be a lot of division in some Christian churches over moral issues, especially abortion, ordination, and end-of-life care. If all Christians follow the Gospel of Jesus, why is there such a difference of opinion?

**Answer:** There is always a struggle between culture and religion, and part of that struggle is politics. To be politically correct means that you must embrace the secular virtue of the moment so that you are "enlightened," "sensitive," "aware," and, most importantly, "open-minded." Unfortunately, common sense can be sacrificed in the race to be "PC." Some factions within Christian denominations have tried to redefine tradition, history, and biblical teaching to bend it around the politically correct religious thinking of the day. On the life issues that you mention, there are those who began with their own conclusions and have tried to bend theology around their conclusions. This is possible in part because of a lack of a central teaching authority and partly because society has become apathetic to these issues. It will result in a lot of division, factions, and schisms. The Gospel calls all believers to embrace the truth, to turn from sin, and to seek holiness and justice. No matter how hard some may try, a square peg will not fit a round hole. The camel cannot fit through the eye of the needle. ©LPi

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Sept 23	5: 30 m	+ Wilfred Bergkamp
Tue, Sept 24	9:30 am	For Rain
Wed, Sept 25	8:00 am	St. Raphael's
Thurs, Sept 26	12:15 pm	+ Rebecca Burden
Fri, Sept 27	7:30 am	+ Bill Rice
Sat, Sept 28	4:00 pm	+ Eddie Catlin
Sun, Sept 29	9:00 am	+ Lorena Elenora Lane

## MINISTERS FOR THIS/NEXT WEEK

### 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9/21/2024 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.

**Servers:** Jason Velasco, Jonathan & Nathan Gannett

**Reader:** Karen Burden

**E.O H.C:** Debbie Frederick, Gwen Waechter

9/22/2024—Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

**Servers:** Cade Berning, Jace Berning, Haley Berning

**Reader:** Alvin Bergkamp

**Extra Ordinary of HC:** Maria Enriquez, Rosa Cardenas  
**26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9/28/2024 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.

**Servers:** Ryann & Brecken Bamberger, Rowen Simon

**Reader:** Tom Bachman

**Extra Ordinary of HC:** Tino Rosales Jr., Karen Burden

9/29/2024—Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

**Servers:** Haley Berning, Jace Berning, Luke Woodrow

**Reader:** Bob Woodrow

**Extra Ordinary of HC:** Teresa Beltran, Karen Burden

### Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard every Saturday at 3:00 pm and every Sunday at 8:00

### Baptism:

Parents who have children to be baptized must be registered. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

### Marriage:

Please contact parish priest at least four months before the wedding.

### Anointing the sick:

Celebrated anytime by calling a priest.

