## Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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**ALTAR SOCIETY** 

Meets the second Monday of the month, September through May only

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY \*

(580) 355-7837

Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month

Website: www.lawtoncatholic.com

**MASS SCHEDULE** 

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30 am and 11:00 am Daily Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday, Friday, & Saturday at 7:30 am

No Daily Mass on Monday

**CONFESSIONS** 

Saturday: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** 

Parents should call for an appointment at least three months prior to the desired date of Baptism. Parents must be registered parishioners. Please call the parish office for

more information.

MARRIAGE

At least six months preparation time is required and one party must be registered in the parish. Please call the parish office to begin this preparation.

THRIFT SHOP \* (580) 581-1309

Currently Open Mondays and Wednesdays

Only, From 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS \* (580) 512-8664

Meets the second Tuesday of the month

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, COURT ST. JUDE \*

(580) 248-9594 OR (580) 695-0259

Meets the third Saturday of the month

#### LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. JOHN PAUL LEWIS



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This Sunday, I am celebrating an important anniversary. This anniversary is more important than my birthday, either of my ordination anniversaries, and even more important than the anniversary of my cancer going into remission. This Sunday, September 6, I am celebrating the 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary of my Baptism. I also have the joy of my godson being baptized this Sunday as well. I am saying this not to get lots of congratulations or well wishes on my Baptism Day, but to emphasize the importance of Baptism in each and every one of our lives.

The day of our Baptism is the day in which each of us inherited eternal life. We were washed clean of original sin, became adopted children of the Heavenly Father, and were brought into the Sacramental life of the Church. Of all the Sacraments, Baptism is the fundamental Sacrament, without which we cannot receive any of the other Sacraments. What a beautiful and foundational event in each of our lives of faith.

Do you know your Baptism date? Pope Francis encouraged us to find out the date of our Baptism, and to celebrate it the way we would celebrate a birthday. I for one usually treat myself to some ice cream or a little bit nicer meal on my Baptism day, to celebrate the new life the Lord gave me in my Baptism. If you don't know your Baptism date already, find out. Call your

parents, grandparents, or the parish in which you were baptized, and mark that date in your calendar. Find a way to celebrate on that day, because on that day, you received the greatest gift from the one who loves you infinitely!!

In Christ,

Fr. John Paul



"Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Matthew 18: 19-20



## CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2020 ANNUAL APPEAL

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus calls us to be responsible for our brothers and sisters in Christ. Help Catholic Charities support our brothers and sisters who are in the greatest need through the Catholic tradition of service. Donate to Catholic Charities at <a href="mailto:givetocc.org">givetocc.org</a> or fill out the envelope attached to the brochure in church to support the annual appeal as you are able. We are grateful for your support

of the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal.

# SOCIETY

#### **ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS**

The Altar Society will be having their first meeting of the season on **Monday, September 14**<sup>th</sup> **at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. A light meal will be provided.

All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

#### BIRTHRIGHT OF LAWTON

A big Thank You to everyone that purchased cards for a <u>Year of Flowers</u>. Nearly \$1,000 was raised for Birthright.

Thank you for your generosity!!

**Rosary**...Join in praying the rosary, every Wednesday, at 6:30 pm in the church. **Rosario**...Todos están invitados a rezar el rosario, cada miércoles a las 6:30 pm en la iglesia.



#### HALF PRICE SALE

Our Thrift Shop is currently having a HALF PRICE SALE. Everything in the store is HALF PRICE. The sale will continue until September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The Thrift Shop hours are: Monday and Wednesday, between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm.

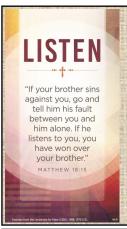
Additional Volunteers are needed to help, short-term and long-term.

If you would like to send a card or letter to our seminarians, their addresses are:



Mr. Robert Blaschke Conception Seminary College P.O. Box 502 Conception, MO 64433-0502

Mr. Austin Harper Kenrick-Glennon Seminary 5200 Glennon Drive St. Louis, MO 63119



Am I my brother's keeper?

All three readings today suggest that for the Christian steward the answer is "Yes!"

23<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Thrift Shop is open again and more volunteers are needed to help serve our community.

The shop is open from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm only on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Masks are required!

The limit of people inside the store has been increased to <u>10 customers</u> that are able to shop at any one time.

Thank you for your understanding!

### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The volunteers of the St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to extend a very special thank you to everyone that continued to support our ministry during the Covid-19 quarantine. Your generosity is so helpful and important to the people of our community!

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance with utilities, rent, or groceries, please contact our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Our volunteers continue to meet the needs of many, and may be able to help. Leave a detailed message when you call (580) 355-7837 and we will get in touch with you as soon as we can. All donated funds are used to assist families right here in our own community of Lawton.

#### JOIN FLOCKNOTE



Everyone, please take out your cell phones.....

please send the word <u>lawton</u> in a text message to the number: <u>84576</u>. This is a great time to be signed up so that we can keep you and your family updated with our weekly bulletins and other announcements.



**SEPTEMBER 7** LaShawna Foster, Lisa Garcia, Erin Ropelewski, and Chris Scotto.

**SEPTEMBER 8** Owen Clear, Marlee Saylor, and Antonio Le'iulian Triche.

**SEPTEMBER 9** Randy Griffin, Arthur Hampton, Brayden Holman, and Terry Melvin.

**SEPTEMBER 10** Margie Bush, Fernondo Garcia, Juan Trevino Jr., and James Zacharias.

**SEPTEMBER 11** Elizabeth Bailey, Brandon Brown, Lily Griner, Juan Martinez, Scott Monk, Roxanne Santini, and Angela Sherman.

**SEPTEMBER 12** Zari Conway, Christopher Ladlee, Stuart Robertson, and Cory Schaefer.

**SEPTEMBER 13** Kiara Munoz-Gonzalez.

## THANK YOU for your generosity

Our Weekend Mass Attendance and Offerings Sunday, August 23, 2020 Mass Attendance 332

General Fund—Envelopes & Cash \$3,663.73 General Fund—Online Giving \$1,693.81 Parish Improvement Fund (464646) \$385.81

> Second Collection Next Week For: The Holy Land (September 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>)

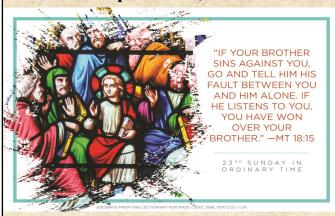
We want to extend our deep thanks for continuing your generous support of our Parish during this time of Covid-19 quarantine. Your generous contributions help sustain our Parish.

#### "Save Time and Donate Online!"

WeShare is an easy and convenient way to save time and support our church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure.

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit <a href="https://www.lawtoncatholic.com">www.lawtoncatholic.com</a>
and click the "Give Now" tab.

#### September 6, 2020



#### THIS WEEK AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Monday, September 7 NO Daily Mass

Parish Office Closed
Thrift Shop Closed



#### **Tuesday, September 8**

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Armand Cote

by the Furtado Family)

#### Wednesday, September 9

**7:30 am—Daily Mass** (+Elizabeth A. Scheirer by Her Family)

10:00 am—Thrift Shop Open Until 2:00 pm 6:30 pm—Rosary in the Church

#### **Thursday, September 10**

**7:30 am—Mass** (+Margaret Bruemmer by Susan Bruemmer)

#### Friday, September 11

**7:30 am—Mass** (+Gerhardt Juarez Hilts by His Parents)

#### Saturday, September 12

**7:30 am—Mass** (+Anne Nguyen by Tony Nguyen) 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm—Confessions in the Parish Hall **5:00 pm—Vigil Mass** (+Michael Jason Zwaan by Sammy & Joed Morris)

#### Sunday, September 13

8:30 am—Mass (For the People of the Parish)
11:00 am—Bilingual Mass (+Phillip Coyle Pittman by Joey, Stevie, Viki, Nancy, David, & Kathy)

Daily Readings: www.usccb.org/bible/readings

#### Mass Attendance on August 23, 2020 totaled 332

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had <u>83</u> in attendance. Sunday Morning at 8:30 am had <u>131</u> in attendance. Sunday Morning at 11:00 am had <u>118</u> in attendance.

Current Capacity is 127 people inside the Church Daily Mass Attendance averages between 20 to 30 people per day.

The Dispensation is still in effect for Sunday Mass.

You are excused from your Sunday Obligation.