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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

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,

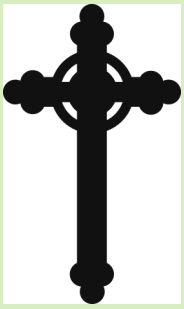
A few weeks ago at Sunday Mass, we processed in singing one of my favorite hymns. "Lift high the cross," we sang, "The love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his Sacred Name." The first verse of this hymn is what really gets me: "Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine!" This Monday, September 14th, we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. On this day, we remember and we celebrate the triumph that Jesus Christ has over death through his death on the cross.

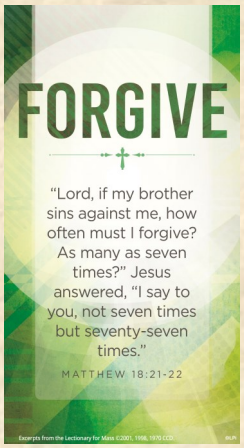
This is one of the most beautiful aspects of Christianity. The cross—the ultimate sign of weakness, the most demeaning and inhuman death a person could suffer—becomes the very sign of our victory. When Jesus became completely powerless, his power showed the most. The worst death possible became the source of eternal life. It is almost as if the Lord is taunting the devil, conquering him by his own instrument; using his own tool against him to bring victory and salvation for his people.

Let's find a way to rejoice on Monday, knowing that the Lord has won victory for us through his blood that was shed on the cross.

In Christ,

Fr. John Paul





Peter approached Jesus
and asked him, "Lord, if my
brother sins against me,
how often must I forgive?
As many as seven times?"
Jesus answered, "I say to you,
not seven times
but seventy-seven times."

Matthew 18: 21-22

CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2020 ANNUAL APPEAL

Today's responsorial psalm says, "The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion." Help Catholic Charities show kindness and compassion to those in the greatest need. By giving to Catholic Charities at givetocc.org or filling out the envelope in the pew, you are also showing kindness and compassion to those less fortunate. We are grateful for your support of the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal.

ALTAR SOCIETY

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

The Altar Society will be having their first meeting of the season on **Monday, September 14th at 6:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. A light meal will be provided. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

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 23rd.

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

Stewardship is not optional! "None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master," says St. Paul. "While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as His servants." See Romans 14:7-9

24TH 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 10 customers 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 ***lawton*** in a text message to the number: **84576**. 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.

BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER 14 Jackie Cowan and Chinecherem Obidile.
SEPTEMBER 15 Brooke Kroupa and Victoria Van Sickel.
SEPTEMBER 16 Audrey Arrington, Carl A. Benke, Susan Kremmer, and Darron Shaffer.
SEPTEMBER 17 Amber Carter, Bertha Davila, Amanda Donahue, Aeni Hale, and Patricia Puckett.
SEPTEMBER 18 Heather Clay and Sarah Wade.
SEPTEMBER 19 Carlos Rivera and Brenden Thomas.
SEPTEMBER 20 Estrella Rios and Stephen Veit.

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.

THANK YOU

for your generosity

Our Weekend Mass Attendance and Offerings
Sunday, August 30, 2020 Mass Attendance 314

General Fund—Envelopes & Cash	$4,164.78
General Fund—Online Giving	$2,084.70
St. Vincent de Paul Society	$2,268.75
Parish Improvement Fund (464646)	$126.13

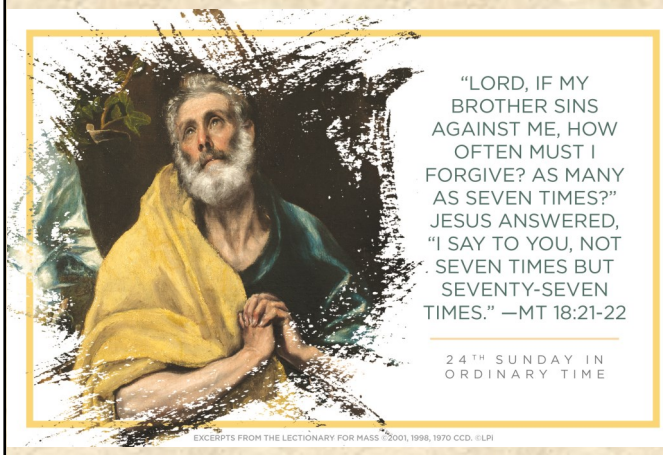
There is No Second Collection Next Week

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 www.lawtoncatholic.com and click the "Give Now" tab.

September 13, 2020



THIS WEEK AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Monday, September 14
NO Daily Mass
10:00 am—Thrift Shop Open Until 2:00 pm
6:00 pm—Ladies Altar Society Meeting, Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 15
NO Daily Mass
6:00 pm—St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, PH Conf. Rm.

Wednesday, September 16
7:30 am—Daily Mass (✝Richard Gouveia by Sammy Morris)
10:00 am—Thrift Shop Open Until 2:00 pm
6:30 pm—Rosary in the Church

Thursday, September 17
7:30 am—Mass (For the Intentions of the Cara Family by the Bannon Family)

Friday, September 18
7:30 am—Mass (✝Mary Alice Kauanui by Her Family)

Saturday, September 19
7:30 am—Mass (✝Larry Benke by the Benke Family)
3:00 pm to 4:30 pm—Confessions in the Parish Hall
5:00 pm—Vigil Mass (✝Fe Dela Paz by Tony Dela Paz)

Sunday, September 20
8:30 am—Mass (For the People of the Parish)
11:00 am—Bilingual Mass (✝Randy Conner by the Conner Family)

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

Mass Attendance on August 30, 2020 totaled 314
Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had 92 in attendance.
Sunday Morning at 8:30 am had 127 in attendance.
Sunday Morning at 11:00 am had 95 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.