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Baptisms: By appointment

Reconciliation: Saturday 2:30-3:30p.m. or by appointment

Weddings: Six months advance notice

Mass Schedule:

Weekday Mass: Tues: 6:00 PM; Wed. & Fri: 8:00 AM; Thurs. 7:00 AM

Saturday: 7:30 AM; Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

January 4, 2015

A Sincere Thank You to everyone who made our Church and Liturgy so beautiful and special for the Christmas Holy Days: To Fr. Arul and Fr. Bob; to the volunteers who decorated our Church, the nativity scene and the Memory Tree; to the K of C Choir, the HS and Children's Choir, the Adult Choir, the organists, cantors, musicians, sacristans, ushers, all the Mass Ministers, all the floral contributors, and all who gave in any way to make our Christmas Liturgies a true and living celebration of the Birth of our Savior Jesus.

Congratulations to Bob & Leona Olberding who celebrated their 61st Wedding Anniversary Wednesday at the 4 PM Mass on the Solemnity of Mary Holy Day.

In Memoriam - The Rites of Christian Burial were celebrated on Wednesday, December 31, for Anna Louise Hulsing, and on Saturday, January 3rd for Jackie Olberding. Let us remember them and their loved ones in our prayers.

Thank You - The families of Anna Louise Hulsing and Jackie Olberding would like to thank the Altar Society Circles who donated food and the Funeral Committee ladies who organized and served the funeral dinners for their families.

A most heartfelt Thank You goes out to all the school families and patrons who donated so generously to the 2nd Annual Teacher Christmas Wish List Event. It was a huge success! The teachers are very touched by your kindness and so grateful to you. May you be blessed.

The Epiphany of the Lord

There will be an Altar Society Meeting today, Sun, Jan 4, 2015 at 1:00 PM in the Parish hall. The new officers will be installed at this meeting. Welcome to the new officers: Terrilynne Haverkamp, President; Ida Suther, Vice President; Brenda Rottinghaus, Secretary; Tracy Rusche, Asst. Secretary; Sandra Rottinghaus, Treasurer; Eileen Love, Asst. Treasurer. Special thanks for all the hard work and dedication to the out-going officers: Kim Bramhall, Deb Rethman, and Margie Shinn.

The Seneca Knights of Columbus "Soup Day" will be held on Sunday, January 11 at the SPPS Parish Hall. Chili, chicken noodle, vegetable soups, sandwiches, pie & cheese cake will be served. Free will offering. Serving from 10 AM to 2 PM. Keep the date open. K of C members, please double-check newsletters and emails for groups bringing pies and hamburger. Call Clete at 336-3891 or Mr Tire 336-2159.

The K of C FreeThrow Contest will be held on Sunday Jan 11th in the SPPS gymnasium. The contest is free of charge and open to the public. For boys and girls ages 9-14. Begins at 1 PM with gym opening at 12:30 PM.

St Anne's Altar Society Pancake Breakfast will be on Sunday Feb 1. Anyone wishing to donate food (butter, eggs, etc), raffle items or make a cash donation, please call Terrilynne Haverkamp at 336-3140 (leave a message). Keep this date on your calendar.

FYI: To anyone who donated a poinsettia in memory of a loved one for Christmas, please feel free to pick it up after 11:00 Mass today. Thank you for your donation.



Masses for Jan 5th to Jan 11th The Epiphany of the Lord

Monday	Jan 5 – St John Neumann 7:00 AM – Communion Service
Tuesday	Jan 6 – St Andre Bessette 6:00 PM – L/D Sylvester & Vivina Strathman Family
Wednesday	Jan 7 – St Raymond of Penyafort 8:00 AM – Rita Wende 9:30 AM – <u>Crestview Manor</u> – In thanksgiving to the Crestview Staff
Thursday	Jan 8 – 1 st Thursday of Christmas 7:00 AM – Dr Jerome Hermes
Friday	Jan 9 – 1st Friday of Christmas 8:00 AM – L/D Harry & Agnes Hutfles Family 11:15 AM – <u>Country Place</u> – L/D Edwin & MaryAnn Holthaus family
Saturday	Jan 10 – 1 st Saturday of Christmas 7:30 AM – Eugene Bennett 4:00 PM – Bernadine Sedlacek
Sunday	Jan 11 – The Baptism of the Lord 7:00 AM For our Parish 9:00 AM Ernest Shinn (Anniv) 11:00 AM L/D Ray & Alice Rilinger Family



Weekday Servers: Tues 6PM, Fri 7AM, Sat 7:30 AM Will & Anna Bartkoski
Servers: Wed & Friday 8:00 AM SPPS Students

<u>Sat 4PM</u>	<u>Sun 7 AM</u>	<u>9 AM</u>	<u>11AM</u>
Bryce Uphaus	Allison Schmelzle	Colin Lierz	Ea Schmelzle
Kristen Hammes	Sydney Schmelzle	Abe Elder	Myiah Schmelzle
Shayla Hammes	Ty Noble	Tim Nolte	Wyatt Rusche
Dalton Hermes	Cole Noble	Mikeal Sperflage	Kinsey Scott

Assistants At The Eucharist for Jan 10th & Jan 11th

	<u>Lector/*Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Organist</u>
<u>4:00 PM</u>	Katie Wassenberg *Jeanie Kramer	Randy Heinen Sheryl Heinen	Tyler Heinen Blake Uphaus	Eileen Love	Deb Rethman
<u>7:00 AM</u>	Lee Engelken *Doug Schmelzle	Kirby Schmelzle Jim Strathman	Rick Henry Joan Henry		Janet Kramer
<u>9:00 AM</u>	Shaylyn Stallbaumer *Janie Bramhall	Kacie Steinlage Mikayla Peterson	Abby Kohake Michelle Kohake	Childrens Choir	Owen Zinke
<u>11:00 AM</u>	Jake Reitz * Keegan Schmelzle	John Rottinghaus Taylor Rusche	Mary Rottinghaus Rhonda Sperflage	Moriah Rottinghaus	Terry Nordhus

ROSARY LEADERS: 4:00 PM Eunice Winkler 9:00 AM Joe Kohake

If you are interested in getting a copy of the Dec 14 SPPC Music Ministry Concert, please contact the Parish Office at 336-2128. DVD or CD copies will be available for purchase at \$10.00 each.

Children's Choir Practice on Wednesday, January 7th at 6:00 PM in Church. They will sing on Sunday, January 11th at the 9:00 Mass.

Save the Date! The SPPS PTO will be hosting its 2nd Annual Adult Trivia Night on Saturday, Feb 21st at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Seneca. Registration will begin on Feb 1st, 2015. The entry fee is \$200 for a team of 8 people. Full information on the event will be in the Sun, Feb 1st Bulletin. Proceeds from the event will be used for technology upgrades (iPads, laptops, etc.) and new religion textbooks. We hope to see you there!

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS:

Sun Jan 4 - Altar Society Meeting 1:00
Fri Jan 9 - Mission Center Meeting 10:00 AM
Sun Jan 11 - K of C "Soup Day"- 10 AM -2 PM
Sun Jan 11 - K of C Free Throw Contest 1 PM
Sun Feb 1 - Altar Society Breakfast 7:00 to 1:00
Sat/Sun Feb 7th & 8th - Living in Love Weekend
Sat Feb 21 - Adult Trivia Night

SCHOOL NEWS:

Mon Jan 5 - Classes resume, normal time.
Thu Jan 8 - BB @ Axtell 6:00 PM
Jan 25 to Feb 1 - Catholic Schools Week

CCD Classes resume on Wed, Jan 7, 2015 at 6:45 PM. Monitors for Jan 7 are Tom & Valerie Scott & Allen & Arlene Henry.

Are you interested in attending the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, PA on Sept 22-25, 2015? Go to www.worldmeeting2015.org for registration info. Early registrations by January 15 are encouraged.

The March for Life in Washington DC is once more being planned by the Archdiocese for this January 22. The cost is \$325.00 per person. Register ASAP at www.archkck.org or contact www.youth@archkck.org.

Important Parish Information:

sppweserve@yahoo.com - Email for Mass Ministry changes, or you may call or text Sheryl at 336-1380.
prayerchainspp@gmail.com - For Prayer Requests or you may call Dana at 336-0008. Please leave a message.
sppchurchccd@gmail.com - For CCD & DRE information
sppsecretary@gmail.com - For Bulletin notices; also to send address changes, envelope & Leaven changes.
Receive parish updates right on your phone. Just text spp1867 to 84576 to receive your "Flock Notes".
Vocation Inquiries: Fr. Scott Wallisch, 913-647-0303 or frscott@archkck.org.

Living in Love Weekend will be at SPP Parish again on Sat & Sun Feb 7th & 8th. Cost is \$75 per couple. Register online at www.archkck.org/LivingInLove. (See Bulletin insert) A gift to each of you for Valentine's Day!

The 2015 Baileyville Benefit is for Max Hammes, 3 month old son of David & Tarese Hammes: Graham Fleury Blakeley, 22 month old son of Amy (Fleury) and Derek Blakeley; Kaitlyn Honeyman, 4 month old daughter of Kirsten (Kramer) and Cody Honeyman. It is scheduled for February 21 & 22nd at Nemaha Central High School with the auction to start at 6:00 PM on Sunday. Donations for the chance stand, auction or wheel are very much welcome and appreciated! You may bring donations of food (i.e. pies, cinnamon rolls, cookies, etc) to the concession stand Saturday morning to sell throughout the tournament. It would also be greatly appreciated if you could donate your time to work a couple of hrs at the benefit. If you have any questions or would like to donate in any way, please contact Kenny Schmitz at 336-6252 (email kdschmitz@bbwi.net) or Danny Broxterman at 334-3913.

Altar Society Dues are needing to be paid. There is an envelope in the January packet.

Adoration Chapel: Adorers are needed for Saturday 6:00 to 7:00 pm. If you are willing to take an hour, or be on the substitution list, please call Sue at 336-2297.

Thanks to all who have paid their Leaven account. The amount due is \$18.00, if you have not paid. St P&P Parish pays \$9,684 to the Archdiocese to cover this. We collected \$36.00 on 12/28/14. Still due is \$4,662.00.

CONTRIBUTIONS for week of 12-15 to 12-28, 2014. Weekly Budget is \$15,000.

12-15 to 12-28	Envelopes	\$ 11,817.75
Church	Plate	\$ 784.64
ACH/EFT		\$ 11,093.00
School		\$ 2,850.00
ACH/EFT		\$ 255.00
Immac Conception		\$ 25.00
Christmas		\$ 9,933.75
Solemn of Mary		\$ 55.00
Flowers		\$ 20.00
First Offering		\$ 425.00
	Thank You!!	\$ 37,259.14

(Above amount includes the Christmas Collection.)

Your Parish donation may now be given by swiping your credit card. A secured credit card swipe machine is located by the priests' sacristy door in the Narthex. An automatic receipt will be generated for each transaction.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sacred Heart CYO Breakfast at Baileyville Church Hall on Sunday January 11 from 7:30 - 12:30. Raffle 12:30.

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- Discover a deep reverence of, and dignity for, their mutual fertility.
- Increase their communication on the deepest level as they are called to become "Interpreters of God's Plan" (*Gaudium et Spes*) for their family.
- Experience a 98% marriage success rate, as opposed to the 50% divorce rate nationwide.
- Couples have a monthly honeymoon!

NFP

A way of Love and Life

WHAT IS NFP? Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a generic title for scientific, natural and moral methods of family planning that assist married couples to identify the times when they can either achieve or postpone pregnancies.

NFP methods are based on the observation of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases of a woman's menstrual cycle. When a woman learns to chart her fertility cycle, the couple can confidently identify days of fertility and infertility. It can also be an excellent health record that can aid the physician in diagnosing and treating underlying reproductive and gynecological health problems.

The methods of NFP respect the love-giving (unitive) and life-giving (procreative) nature of the conjugal act, thus they support God's design for married love! NFP is a way of life based on love that respects the dignity of the total person!

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF NFP? *It is medically safe.* No drugs, devices, or surgical procedures are used to avoid pregnancy. *Promotes intimacy and requires communication.* Ongoing communication and creative means of showing affection are a part of a successful NFP lifestyle, with mutual responsibility by husband and wife. *Versatility:* NFP can be used successfully during regular or irregular cycles, after coming off the pill or other chemical birth control methods, after childbirth, during breast-feeding and nearing menopause. NFP can be used throughout a woman's life!

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? Introductory sessions in our region are free and come with a chart and the stamps you need to get started charting, as well as your first follow up session! A nominal fee for subsequent sessions is requested, however, you are never denied for inability to pay.

WHEN CAN WE START? For the engaged couple, 6 months prior to the wedding date is ideal to allow you to understand your cycle well in advance. For the married couple, you can learn as soon as possible.

HOW DO I LEARN NFP? The first step is to register for a class. The third Monday of every month there is an introductory session held at 7PM in the Sts. Peter and Paul education room (in the Junior High building). This session gives an overview of the use of the Creighton Model Fertility Care System to monitor a woman's reproductive and gynecological health. Following the Introductory session, there are a series of follow-up sessions that can further support a woman, and/or the couple, through the learning and use of the system.

To register for a class, or for more information, please call or email:

Susie Lueger, APRN, FCPI at 785-336-1934 or susielueger@gmail.com



Married?

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What people are saying

"It introduced how to reconnect with each other, and build that positive relationship with each other and with God."

Pat and Virginia, married 29 years

"Living in Love has revitalized our marriage! Our marriage went from 'pretty good' to 'fantastic.'"

Dave and Dianne, married 5 years

"It was life-changing for us! It really reminded us of the true beauty of our marriage and how we can further fulfill our commitment to each other and our family."

Barry and Bobbie, married 19 years

"I expected the weekend to be 90% 'cheesy' and 10% actually helpful information. It turned out to be the opposite!"

George and Kathy, married 18 years

Did you know that being in love is not a stage you grow out of? We can grow more passionately in love each year. Come and experience *Living in Love*, a liberating retreat which gives insight into how differently men and women prefer to achieve intimacy. It helps couples get in touch with the resources that draw them to each other and fuel their romance. *Living in Love* is a practical application of John Paul II's Theology of the Body and provides a life-changing experience. This remarkable retreat gives married couples of all ages the opportunity to reconnect with their own love history while gaining a joyful sense of hope, purpose and direction for the future. The action-oriented, common sense approach is refreshingly "male" friendly. Don't miss this opportunity to grow more in love with your spouse!

STS. Peter and Paul Seneca

Saturday, Feb. 7 8:30 am– 9:00 pm. Includes romantic dinner.

Sunday, Feb. 8 8:00 am– 4:00 pm. Includes Sunday Mass.

Register online:

www.archkck.org/LivingInLove

Cost: \$75.00 per couple (Includes Romantic Dinner)

**For more information, contact
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