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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 21, 2020

## MEMORIAL OF SAINTS THOMAS MORE AND JOHN FISHER

FEAST DAY: JUNE 22

His belief that no lay ruler has jurisdiction over the church of Christ cost Thomas More his life.

Beheaded on Tower Hill, London, July 6, 1535, he steadfastly refused to approve Henry VIII's divorce and remarriage and establishment of the Church of England.

Described as "a man for all seasons," More was a literary scholar, eminent lawyer, gentleman, father of four children and chancellor of England. An intensely spiritual man, he would not support the king's divorce from Catherine of Aragon in order to marry Anne Boleyn. Nor would he acknowledge Henry as supreme head of the church in England, breaking with Rome and denying the pope as head.

More was committed to the Tower of London to await trial for treason: not swearing to the Act of Succession and the Oath of Supremacy. Upon conviction, More declared he had all the councils of Christendom and not just the council of one realm to support him in the decision of his conscience.

Four hundred years later, in 1935, Thomas More was canonized a saint of God. Few saints are more relevant to our time. In fact, in 2000, Pope John Paul II named him patron of political leaders. The supreme diplomat and counselor, Thomas More did not compromise his own moral values in order to please the king, knowing that true allegiance to authority is not blind acceptance of everything that authority wants. Henry himself realized this and tried desperately to win his chancellor to his side because he knew More was a man whose approval counted, a man whose personal integrity no one questioned. But when Thomas resigned as chancellor, unable to approve the two matters that meant most to Henry, the king felt he had to get rid of Thomas.

John Fisher did not have the external simplicity found in the lives of some saints. Rather, he was a man of learning, associated with the intellectuals and political leaders of his day. He was interested in the contemporary culture and eventually became chancellor at Cambridge. He had been made a bishop at thirty-five, and one of his interests was raising the standard of preaching in England. Fisher himself was an accomplished preacher and writer. His sermons on the penitential psalms were reprinted seven times before his death. With the coming of Lutheranism, he was drawn into controversy. His eight books against heresy gave him a leading position among European theologians.

In 1521 he was asked to study the problem of Henry VIII's marriage. He incurred Henry's anger by defending the validity of the king's marriage with Catherine and later by rejecting Henry's claim to be the supreme head of the Church of England.

John was summoned, in feeble health, to take the oath to the new Act of Succession. He and Thomas More refused because the Act presumed the legality of Henry's divorce and his claim to be head of the English church. They were sent to the Tower of London, where Fisher remained fourteen months without trial. They were finally sentenced to life imprisonment and loss of goods.

When the two were called to further interrogations, they remained silent. Fisher was tricked, on the supposition he was speaking privately as a priest, and declared again that the king was not supreme head. The king, further angered that the pope had made John Fisher a cardinal, had him brought to trial on the charge of high treason. He was condemned and executed, his body left to lie all day on the scaffold and his head hung on London Bridge. More was executed two weeks later.

## PARISH NEWS

### Mass Schedule

We are now back to regular Mass times and will livestream the Rosary at 10:00am and Mass at 10:30am on Facebook through the end of June. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we are unable to televise on Blue Valley Channel 3 any longer.

Please be sure to check the bulletin or call the office for daily Mass times as there will be some changes due to Father Nathan's schedule over the next 2 weeks.

### Children's Bulletin

Children's bulletins are once again available after Mass from an usher. Extras will also be available in the display case in the gathering space. Full children's bulletins can be downloaded from the parish website's bulletin page.

## Farewell Party for Fr. Nathan

Friday, June 26th

Parish Hall

7-10 p.m. - Come and go

Appetizers and refreshments will be served

Sponsored by Altar Society and Knights of Columbus

### Fr. Nathan's Last Masses

Fr. Nathan's last Masses at St. Gregory's will be next weekend, June 27/28th. Fr. Quentin's first weekend with us will be July 4/5th.

**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS****Tuesday, June 23****12:05pm**

† Jack and Jackie Dwerlkotte  
~ Living and deceased members of  
August Kathe family

**Wednesday, June 24****12:05pm**

† Mark Wassenberg

**Thursday, June 25****12:05pm**

† Alicia Keegan

**Friday, June 26****8:15am**

† Carol Slupianek

**Saturday, June 27****5:30pm**

~ Family of Leo and Opal Green  
and William Lyhane  
~ St. Gregory and St. Malachy  
Parishioners

**Sunday, June 28****7:00am**

† Roger Hormann  
† Charles and Virginia Ring  
~ Living and deceased members of  
Sylvester and Angela Pitsch family

**10:30am****CALENDAR OF EVENTS****Saturday, June 27****4:30-5:15pm**

Confessions

**Sunday, June 28****10:00am**

Rosary live on Facebook

**FATHER'S DAY PRAYER**

God our Father, through the intercession of St. Joseph, the foster father of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks and praise for all fathers in the world.

We pray for them so that they may find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and with you, and nourish us with their love. Amen.

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Envelope & Plate for June 14th \$ 9,128.01  
(*\$11,254 Expected Average Collection needed each week*)

**BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

Loan Balance (as of 6/5/20) ..... \$897,998.46  
Donations (since 6/01/20) ..... (\$ 9,935.00)  
Estimated Outstanding Expenses ..... \$83,272.25  
**Total Parish Liability ..... \$971,335.71**  
Total Contributions to Date ..... \$7,440,700.02  
(*\$9,100 needed each month for loan payment*)

**BAPTISMAL CELEBRATION**

Please welcome  
**Avery Ann Lienemann,**  
daughter of Tyler and Latisha,  
who will be baptized Saturday, June 20th  
at St. Gregory's.

**WEDDING CELEBRATION**

Congratulations to  
**Eric Renyer and Claire Cudney,**  
who will be married at St. Gregory's  
on Saturday, June 20th.  
May the Lord bless you as you begin your lives together.

**2020 ST. GREGORY BAZAAR**

The Altar Society and Bazaar Committee have begun to make plans for the Parish Bazaar on **Sat., August 8th**. All precautions are being taken to make this a safe event. We plan to have the traditional fried chicken dinner, but because of safety issues the meal will be served from the kitchen in disposable containers with lids, along with silverware packets. All desserts will be made in the kitchen. Instead of donating money for chicken or bringing pies or desserts, all ladies will be asked for a \$20 donation. Those serving meals will be wearing plastic gloves. Tables will be spaced in the hall and we will also have outside seating available.

All possible precautions will be taken with the bazaar games and lunch stand. The school gym will not be used unless there is a threat of rain or storms. This will allow it to stay clean, sanitized and ready for the students on the first day of school. Bingo will be outside as many of us remember from years ago.

If Covid-19 cases change in Marshall County, plans could be changed. If you don't feel safe participating in the bazaar, we are asking for a \$100 donation. The churches in Nemaha County that have cancelled their bazaars are asking for \$200-300 donations in place of the bazaar.

If you prefer to not be scheduled, please call 713-1958 or 713-9694 by July 1st. Thank You!

**ARCHDIOCESAN 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION****Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2020**

Archdiocesan 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration  
August 23, 2020 at 2:00pm  
Church of the Nativity in Leawood

To receive your invitation from Archbishop Naumann, please call the Parish Office at 562-3302 and provide your name, address, phone number & date of your wedding.



## ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL



It continues to be the goal of the Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) and our Archdiocese to reopen school buildings in August. To help with this, we will soon receive guidance from the Reopening Our Catholic Schools Committee and we will receive guidance from KSDE sometime mid-July.

As we prepare to reopen our school in Aug, it will be important to take the State and Archdiocesan guidance and fit it to our school community. To do this, I am in need of volunteers, including teachers, school parents, and parishioners, to be part of a school task force to help with the many decisions that will need to be made in order to reopen our school.

This task force will meet several times through the remainder of the summer to plan, organize, and implement our own school reopening plan. Dates and times for meetings have yet to be decided. I ask that you please prayerfully consider being part of this task force to help our school open strong in August.

If you would like to be part of this task force, please email Karen Farrell or call the school office. Your time and input will be much needed as we prepare for next school year. Thank you!

**Teacher Position** - St. Gregory the Great Catholic School is still seeking a Full Time 4th Grade Teacher for the upcoming 2020-21 school year. Interested applicants should complete the teacher application process online at [www.archkckcs.org](http://www.archkckcs.org). Questions may be directed to Karen Farrell at 562-2831 or through email at [kfarrell@stgregorychurch.org](mailto:kfarrell@stgregorychurch.org).

## KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



*Please pray for* Linda Mitchell, Rick Ham, Mallory LeSage, Lori Stohs, Liz Arth, Evelyn Anderson, Mike Watters, Doug Ryan, Steven Appel, Tony Evans, Shane Molton, Teresa Reiling, Bruce Leonard, Doug Wende, Breckyn File, Melody Germann, Brittany Pappada, Mary Landoll, Scotty Hudson, Fr. Jim Shaughnessy, Dolores Wassenberg, Jim Nordhus, Don Cudney, Tori Dettke, Margaret Schotte, Kristi Meyer, Scott Thom, Joel Rivera, Bill Mullins, Parker Price, Joleen Cohorst, Jessie Sawin, Christen Hatzenbuehler, Janet Kirkland, Mary Feldhausen, Boston Bieler, Hudson Gartner, Raymond Thom, Debra Nietfeld Lambert, Mary Ann Lehman, Keith & Teresa Peeks, James & Jessa Sublette, Annette Pacha Smith, Joan Wacek, Rick Weigel, Barry Baber, Jordan Mackey, Wayne Price, Angie Miller, Scott Frerking, Wayne Kruse, Dorothy Peschel, Andy Kwapnioski, Larry Wissmann, Jane Fragel Williamson, Grace Koelzer, Libby Muchow, Jennifer McKeen, Leah Wassenberg, Walt & Charlotte Zimmerling, Tom Nolte, Margaret Stoehr, Francis Kloeker, Sandy Schmitz, Martha Meier, Marty Clark, Emily Larson, Debbie Jueneman, Jim Davis, Bernard Bussmann, Pat Plegge Pratt, Jim D. Schmitz, Carl Walston, Fred Behrens, Katie Vering, Sally Hall, Brian Studer and Mike Wetter. *To make changes call Margaret Huffman at 713-9653 or the Parish Office.*

## CELEBRATE

## BIRTHDAYS

**June 22** Lynn Bruna, Brian Winkler, Aubree Vering, Cota Rieth  
**June 23** Dave Bruna, Bob Voet  
**June 24** Scarlett LeSage, Andrew Lauer, Julie Lienemann  
**June 25** Deb Baker, Steven Cohorst  
**June 26** Kelly Schotte  
**June 27** Rachel Massoth, Rhonda Wassenberg  
**June 28** Marty Nordhus, Kane Kramer, Julie Champoux, Kyle Muetting

## ANNIVERSARIES

**June 22** Kerry and Paula Smith  
**June 23** Brian and Jackie Fragel  
**June 25** Rick and Kandy Cudney  
 Steve and Teresa Hammett  
 Patrick and Kayla Bussmann  
**June 26** Curtis and Deb Hawkinson  
 Shawn and Sharon Glore

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**Parish Council:** Sandy Schmitz

**Finance Council:** Chad Kramer

**Cemetery:** Frank Staggenborg at 562-8047

**Parish Hall Reservations:** Contact Parish Office

**K of C Hall Reservations:** Joe Peschel at 562-3161

**Baptisms:** See website for information

**Weddings:** Contact Father Nathan

*If someone is in need of the Eucharist taken to them, please call the Parish Office.*





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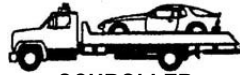
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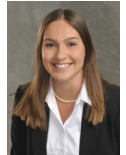
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