



## Parish Notes

- Christian Formation meets Sundays October 2, 9 & 16 at 9:15 am in the library.
- CROP Hunger Walk, Sunday, October 2, at Sedgwick Co. Park. Register at 1 pm; walk at 2 pm.
- Knit with Knowledge on Tuesdays, 6:30 pm in the parlor. **NOTE: Will not meet on Oct. 4th.**
- Daughters of the King meet Sunday, October 9, at 11:45 in the Deacon's Office.
- Finance Meeting on Thursday, October 20, at 5 pm in the library.
- Vestry Meeting on Thursday, October 20, at 6 pm in the library.
- Diocesan Convention begins Thursday-Saturday, October 22-24, at Hilton Double Tree Hotel at Airport, Wichita
- Parish Breakfast, Sunday, October 30, at 9:15 am in the undercroft.

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## It's All of Us .....

Tall and elegant, she stands watch over the city. The stonework laid so meticulously speaks of an era of hard work without the benefit of cranes. The stained glass glimmers in testament to the tedious workmanship of European artists. The enormous ceiling trusses hanging high above; the detailing in the carved wood of the altar; the sun moving through the windows – they all beckon for us to come in, for us to come closer, for us to stop if just for a moment.

St. John's is stunning. Our guests tell us, "It's so ..... beautiful." St. John's **IS** beautiful; it reaches all of the senses. The architecture and design make it easily identifiable as "Episcopalian" and for almost 150 years St. John's has steadfastly stood in glory.

But ..... what if no one came?  
What if none of us were here?  
What if there were no congregation?  
What would St. John's be?

Without the people, without us, without all of us, St. John's is just a building. A consecrated building to be sure, but nevertheless an inanimate building. Buildings can be beautiful but they don't "do" anything. St. John's is more than a building – it is People. St. John's is People - ALL of us – trying to *do* the work God set out for us to *do*, trying to *do* what Jesus commanded us to *do*.

Everyday.  
In some way.  
To reach out beyond ourselves.

Consider historian Katie Pott's monthly articles that delve into our past. She brings us stories about The People - to remind us of the work they did, the projects they had, the people they served. The yellowing photographs are of people playing and working and serving together - reminders that St. John's has always been more than a building.

The heart of St. John's is **our Time and our Talents**. Every day St. John's is in the business of reaching out to those who need us – to those in this parish, and to those out in the community. **It is the WORK we do that brings Glory to this place.**

It is the time we spend visiting the sick, checking on each other, taking a meal to a family, sending cards, teaching a class, knitting a hat. It is the typing, the cleaning; the mowing and trimming; the reading of the lessons. It is serving as acolyte or on Altar Guild. It is delivering the flowers to someone to brighten their day, fixing a sandwich for someone who might not eat that day, bringing a book for those who long to learn. It is offering a smile, a kind word, a handshake, a hug. **These are our Living Pledges.**

Our visitors are right. St. John's IS beautiful. Our greatest beauty is found in the words and actions of all of us as we each serve as stewards of the special gifts God has given each of us. Thank you all for being the beauty of St. John's.



### Sunday Morning Christian Formation To Meet October 2, 9 & 16

Come to the library on designated Sunday mornings from 9:15 - 10:10 AM for exploration of various aspects of living life as a Christian in today's world. Fr. Ted Curtis will open with a short "lecturette," followed by group discussion.

**October 2: The Year of the Gospel of Luke:** We are in Eucharistic Lectionary Cycle C in which we hear in Sunday worship Luke's account of the life and ministry of Jesus. Who was he? What were the points he was getting across? How did he handle the tradition of Jesus handed to him?

**October 9: The Religious Imagination:** Let's get beyond the tired fight that the scriptures should be read either literally or figuratively -- a presentation and discussion of the role of imagination in the life and witness of the Church.

**October 16: The Language of Worship:** A look into the words we say when we think of God, address God, worship God.

### Knitting Ministry Invites Community to Participate

Almost 200 homeless and precariously-housed souls gather each Saturday at St. John's for the Sandwich ministry. Our Knit with Knowledge group, which meets on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm, set a goal to create warm, hand-knit & -crochet items to give our guests as the cold weather arrives. Now St. John's will extend the invitation to crafters around the city to join us in making scarves for these individuals in a drive called SoulScarves. Other churches and yarn shops will be encouraged to promote the idea within their circle, and to drop off their handmade items to St. John's during the winter season. **NOTE: The group will not meet on October 4th, and will resume on October 11th.**

### Daughters of the King Meets Second Sundays at 11:45 a.m.

St. Mary's Chapter of the Daughters of the King has been part of St. John's parish for over 100 years! Meetings will be held the 2nd Sunday of each month, following 10:30 a.m. services, in the Deacon's Office in the lower level of the Ed. Bldg. Please visit one of our meetings and find out more about this dedicated group. Our next meeting will be Sunday, October 9th. Grab a cup of coffee and join us!



### Congratulations Jake Coniglio on Your 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Never underestimate the power of prayer. Our Jake – Jake Coniglio – had to have a partial hip replacement following a fall. This picture was taken one week later at his birthday party. He didn't want to miss a party!

St. John's parishioners were a big part of helping him celebrate. You responded with a regular downpour for his card shower.



### When the Cameraman Gets Caught

Now how many times have we each looked up to see Tom Pott with his camera aimed at us. Tom and Katie were helping with Sandwich Saturday and it seemed most appropriate that we have a picture of Tom doing what Tom does best.

### Moon Over ... St. John's

Mid morning we looked up to see the moon lending it's light over our steeple. Is this news? No. But it was such a beautiful sight we wanted to share it. We all need a touch of the beautiful in our lives.



**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

- 01 Fr. Ted Curtis
- 04 Pamela Bitler
- 07 Andrea Thorpe
- 09 Jay Davis
- 10 Marshall Pickarts
- 10 Kaman Johnson
- 10 Beth Landrum
- 12 Sue McClain
- 14 Nicki Soice
- 16 Mike Morrow
- 17 Cody Bitler
- 29 Linda Jaynes
- 29 Kent Kindsvatter
- 30 Landon Bitler

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 01 Chris & Tracy Anderson
- 13 Jim & Susie Schwartz
- 18 Jared & Ann Jenell Williams

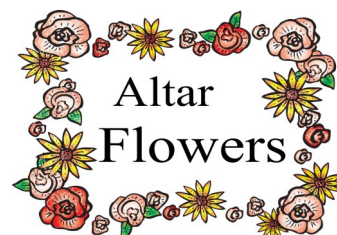
**BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES**

- 06 Morgan McFerren
- 16 Cathy Harris
- 16 Jennifer Westhoff
- 18 Bob Guenthner
- 28 Phyllis McCabe



**Thank You!** To the dedicated parish members who have recently been working on our building and grounds: **Phil Dietrich** who keeps the lawn mowed and trimmed up, along with his **West High student volunteers** who work inside and out; **an unnamed angel**, who has been ridding the parking lot across Topeka St. of weeds; and **Mike McFerren** who has beautified the courtyard patio with mums, a St. Francis statue and bench. Be sure to notice their good work!

Dedications may be made to the Altar Flower Fund in memory of loved ones, or in thanksgiving for blessings. A minimum donation of \$25 is requested. Sign in the book on the back table or call the parish office at 262-0897.



<b>10/02/16</b> 20th Sunday after Pentecost	Carroll Hadley Ken & Tammy Breeden	In thanksgiving for her grandchildren In loving memory and in thanksgiving for the life of Fr. Aaron Pirrera, OSB
<b>10/09/16</b> 21st Sunday after Pentecost	Darlene Herrman Charles & Sara Lloyd	In loving memory of her husband, Vernon Herrman, on the anniversary of his birth, October 13 In loving memory of Charles' mother, Helen Rogers Lloyd
<b>10/16/16</b> 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	Larry & Nicki Soice	In loving memory of Twila Mayrath Meyers, Nicki's mother
<b>10/23/16</b> 23rd Sunday after Pentecost	Ted Curtis & Al Papillon	In thanksgiving for this Christian community
<b>10/30/16</b> 24th Sunday after Pentecost	Morgan Elizabeth McFerren	In thanksgiving for the birthday of her brother, Gabriel Christopher McFerren on Nov. 4



**Parish History — Katie Pott, Parish Historian**

100 years ago . . .

The Rev. Dr. Percy T. Fenn's 1916 St. John's Hand-Book:

**THE LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION** ~ We are always profoundly sorry when we cannot unite with our denominational brethren. They had a great convention here, and we permitted one of our Bishops, and one of our Priests, to participate in it. But we were unable to do so for conscientious reasons. ~ The aim of each convention is to generate enthusiasm for Missions. And there is no doubt that we all need more of the missionary spirit than we have. ~ But when we unite with them we are ranked among them as one Church among many, or one sect among many, and we, by our very participation, help to create among our denominational brethren, a greater enthusiasm for the propagation of their defective Christianity. And this we cannot do. ~ We are unable to understand why a few of our Bishops and Priests can unite in such a movement, and we believe the time will come when they will regret it. ~ The denominations are going into the foreign fields to carry with them their denial of the Historic Episcopate, of Sacramental grace, of Infant Baptism, Confirmation, etc., and we shall be compelled to spend scores of years and hundreds of thousands of dollars to uproot their teaching. For this reason we can have nothing whatever to do with the movement.

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK** ~ Your priest is always ready, at any hour of the day or night, to minister to the sick of the parish. But it is the duty of the sick to send him word. In times of sickness we need the prayers and the sacraments of the Church, and these are to be had for the asking, and upon these, to a very large extent, our recovery may depend. ~ In case it should be necessary to go to the hospital, please give orders to your physician for your priest to visit you. Your priest does not come to you as a visitor, so "Visitors are not admitted" does not apply to him. He comes to you as your priest, with the Church's blessing, and with the Church's Sacraments. ~ It would, therefore, be well for every sick person, before going to the hospital, to consult the priest in regard to this matter, and to employ only such physicians and surgeons as shall be willing to have your priest come to you. ~ We insist, most earnestly, upon this, for your sake as well as for ours. In a matter of life or death you cannot afford to exclude God. And no good churchman ever goes through an operation without the sacraments, and the prayers of the Church!

**OUR CONGREGATIONS** ~ . . . Put your Church first in your mind, and first in your life, and see how quickly it will change your point of view. Come to the services as frequently as possible, join heartily in the responses and in the singing, and extend a hearty greeting to the strangers present, and see how quickly the church will fill up. ~ We know that big congregations are never an index of spiritual prosperity, but they are always an encouragement and an inspiration to rector and people.



**The 157th Annual Convention of the diocese is set for Oct. 28-29 at the Hilton Double Tree Hotel at the Airport in Wichita.**

**This will be a joint gathering with delegates and clergy of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas.**

**Each diocese will have its own business meetings; other activities will be combined.**

## Serving the LORD with Gladness

**OCTOBER 2016 (Year C)**

No choir - fall break

<b>Preacher / Celebrant</b>	The Rev. Ted Curtis	The Rev. Ted Curtis	The Rev. Ted Curtis	The Rev. Eli Montes	Morning Prayer The Rev. Arland Wallace
	<b>October 02 Pentecost 20</b>	<b>October 09 Pentecost 21</b>	<b>October 16 Pentecost 22</b>	<b>October 23 Pentecost 23</b>	<b>October 30 Pentecost 24</b>
<b>8:00 a.m. Service</b>	<b>RITE I</b>	<b>RITE I</b>	<b>RITE I</b>	<b>RITE I</b>	<b>RITE I</b>
<b>Acolyte/Chalice</b>	Cathy Harris	Racine Zackula	Cathy Harris	Peggy Karr	No Communion
<b>Lector / Intercessor</b>	Cathy Harris	Racine Zackula	Charles Lloyd	Peggy Karr	Cathy Harris
<b>10:30 a.m. Service</b>					
<b>Organist</b>	Joel Brejda	Joel Brejda	Bro. Guadalupe	Joel Brejda	Joel Brejda
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Lanelle McKernan	Racine Zackula	Leslie Dunlap	Kelley Davidson	Lanelle McKernan
<b><u>Acolytes</u> Server</b>	Tish Seely	Paul Steele	Emerson Ross	Tish Seely	No Communion
<b>Crucifer</b>	Tish Seely	Paul; Steele	Emerson Ross	Tish Seely	No Communion
<b>Lector / Intercessor</b>	Tammy Breeden	Judy Nelson	Katie Pott	Tish Seely	Roger Carvalho
<b>Chalice Bearers</b>	Tammy Breeden	Tom Pott	Katie Pott	Tish Seely	No communion
	Dcn. Arland	Dcn. Arland	Dcn. Arland	Dcn. Arland	Dcn. Arland
<b>Daughters of the King</b>	Judy Morris	Jean Wikle	Tish Seely	Nancy Dietrich	Judy Morris
<b>Refreshments</b>	Dietrichs	Judy Morris	Katie Pott		Parish Breakfast
<b>Lay Eucharistic Visitor</b>	~~~~~	Paul Massaria	Charles Lloyd	~~~~~	~~~~~

	<b>02 de octubre 20 Pentecostés</b>	<b>09 de octubre 21 Pentecostés</b>	<b>16 de octubre 22 Pentecostés</b>	<b>23 de octubre 23 Pentecostés</b>	<b>30 de octubre 24 Pentecostés</b>
<b>servicio de 13:00</b>	<b>RITO II</b>	<b>RITO II</b>	<b>RITO II</b>	<b>RITO II</b>	<b>RITO II</b>
<b>sacerdote</b>	The Rev. Elizabeth Montes	The Rev. Elizabeth Montes	The Rev. Elizabeth Montes	The Rev. Elizabeth Montes	The Rev. Elizabeth Montes
<b>gremio de altar</b>		Flora Ocampo	Flora Ocampo	Flora Ocampo	Flora Ocampo

organista

If not able to serve as scheduled, please find a substitute and notify the parish office of the change.
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
<b>2 Pentecost 20 / Proper 22</b> The Rev. Ted Curtis <b>8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist</b> 9:00 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 9:15 AM Christian Formation in the library <b>10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist</b> 11:45 AM Welcome reception for Fr. Ted 1:00 PM <b>Spanish-Language Eucharist</b>	<b>3</b> Office Closed	<b>4</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 PM</b> Knit with Knowledge, parlor	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>10:00 AM</b> Liturgy Meeting in the library <b>11:00 AM</b> Sandwich Ministry
<b>9 Pentecost 21 / Proper 23</b> The Rev. Ted Curtis <b>8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist</b> 9:00 AM Choir rehearsal in the choir room 9:00 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 9:15 AM Christian Formation in the library <b>10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist</b> 11:45 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 11:45 AM Daughters of the King meeting, Deacon's Office 1:00 PM <b>Spanish-Language Eucharist</b>	<b>12</b> Office Closed	<b>13</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 PM</b> Knit with Knowledge, parlor	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Sandwich Ministry/ Pathway Church
<b>16 Pentecost 22 / Proper 24</b> <b>Third Sunday for Outreach</b> The Rev. Ted Curtis <b>8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist</b> <b>No Choir - Fall Break</b> 9:00 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 9:15 AM Christian Formation in the library <b>10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist</b> 11:45 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 1:00 PM <b>Spanish-Language Eucharist</b>	<b>19</b> Office Closed	<b>20</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 PM</b> Knit with Knowledge, parlor	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Finance Meeting in the library <b>6:00 PM</b> Vestry Meeting in the library	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Sandwich Ministry/ Lutheran Synod
<b>23 Pentecost 23/ Proper 25</b> The Rev. Elizabeth Montes <b>8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist</b> 9:00 AM Choir rehearsal in the choir room 9:15 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor <b>10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist</b> 11:45 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 1:00 PM <b>Spanish-Language Eucharist</b>	<b>26</b> Office Closed	<b>27</b> <b>3:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 PM</b> Knit with Knowledge, parlor	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>157th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kansas, Hilton Double Tree Hotel, Airport in Wichita</b>	<b>28</b> <b>157th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kansas, Hilton Double Tree Hotel, Airport in Wichita</b>	<b>29</b> <b>11:00 AM</b> Sandwich Ministry/ Aldersgate UMC <b>157th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Kansas, Hilton Double Tree Hotel, Airport in Wichita</b>
<b>30 Pentecost 24 / Proper 26</b> <b>8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist</b> 9:00 AM Choir rehearsal in the choir room 9:15 AM Parish Breakfast in the undercroft <b>10:30 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist</b> 11:45 AM Coffee & Conversation in the parlor 1:00 PM <b>Spanish-Language Eucharist</b>	<b>31</b> Office closed					
<b>ANNUAL CONVENTIONS</b> <b>Diocese of Kansas • Diocese of Western Kansas</b> <b>October 28-29, 2016 • Wichita</b>						

## CROP WALK at Sedgwick County Park on October 2nd

In 2015 we at St. John's felt called to respond to those who are Hungry all over the world and we joined the yearly CROP Walk. Father Ted Blakely led one team of walkers; Father Earl Mahan led the other team. The result: YOU helped St. John's win the quilt that is awarded to the group that raises the most money. That quilt hangs in our East Atrium. St. John's will once again be participating in the 2016 CROP Walk to be held **Sunday, October 2, at Sedgwick Country Park Horseshoe Shelter; Registration at 1 p.m., Walk begins at 2 p.m.** If you are interested in participating or donating, you may call the office 262-0897, or Thomas Hill 833-2181. **COME JOIN US!**

## St. James' After School Program to Raise Funds at Triathlon, October 15th

The St. James' After School Program offers arts enrichment to students at Title 1 schools in Wichita. To raise funds for the program, they are sponsoring a Triathlon on Saturday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. Teams of eight will compete for the title of Champions of Trivia. There will also be a silent auction, prize drawings and culinary concoctions made by Peg Bowman. Tickets are \$20, and include snacks and soft drinks. Call 683-5686 for information, tickets, or to enter your team.

## Breakfast Fundraiser at Botanica to benefit ESS Venture House and Breakthrough Club

Kindness In Action Breakfast, a fundraising event benefitting ESS Venture House and Breakthrough Club, is Wednesday, October 12, at Botanica-The Wichita Gardens, from 8:30 –9:30 a.m. in the Lotus Hall. The event is free, but reservations are required. RSVP to 316-269-4160, ext. 105. The Breakfast is hosted by the ESS Board of Directors.



## Episcopal Social Services Seeks Volunteers and Pantry Donations

**FOOD SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:** Community Lunch Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve a nutritious meal including beverages using safe food handling practices. Volunteers also serve as mentors to trainees who are receiving employment training. Hours are weekdays from 9:30 to 1:30 and volunteers typically work one day a week, but schedules are flexible.

Volunteers must be able to stand for an extended period and lift dishes. Within 6 months, the volunteer must obtain a food handler card. **Clean-up Crew Volunteers:** Two or more are needed to take the dirty dish cart to the dish washer, clean the area and wash (or assist with

washing) pots, pans and dishes after completion of lunch. **Dining Room Prep Volunteers:** One or more are needed each morning to prepare dining tables and chairs, organize drinking glasses and napkins, refill salt and pepper shakers and refill utensil containers.

**VOLUNTEER OPENINGS FOR REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE PROGRAM:** This program provides financial management and support services to individuals with severe and persistent mental and physical disabilities who are required by the Social Security Administration to have a payee of record. Through trained volunteers, we assist each client with maintaining an independent lifestyle. The program serves more than 400 individuals. **Representative Payee Volunteers** work with clients in establishing a working budget, ensuring that their rent and utilities are paid and that they have food. Clients are seen morning hours from 9:00 to 12, in the afternoon from 1 to 3, and at one Monday evening shift from 5 to 7 p.m. **Reconciliation Team Volunteers** may choose to work only with reconciliation of computerized patient accounts and on-line bank statements. Discrepancies are recorded and discussed with Payee Staff. Schedule is flexible. **Internal Audit Volunteers** check a randomly selected client file to confirm that proper payments (expenses) and credits (income) are reflected in the client account and that the client's personal spending has corresponding requests and receipts. Discrepancies and concerns are presented to the Representative Payee Coordinator. Schedule is flexible.

**FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED:** canned tuna, chicken, beef stew, salmon, beans, baked beans, chili, bean soups; dried beans, rice, rice mixes, canned pasta, noodle mixes, dry noodles and pastas, mac & cheese mix, cold cereals; canned & boxed pudding, nonfat dried milk, evaporated milk, canned vegetables & fruit, vegetable soup, canned tomato products, spaghetti sauce, applesauce, paper napkins & towels, food storage bags, trash bags, hand & bath soap, laundry & dish detergent, cleaning products, shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, razors, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, diapers.

Your financial support helps us serve our neighbors living with the effects of poverty, mental illness and crisis in their lives. Your donation to Episcopal Social Services and Breakthrough Club is fully tax-deductible.



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**We welcome you!**

<b>Sundays</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Rite I Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>Christian Formation</b>
	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Rite II Holy Eucharist or Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist in Spanish</b>

**Staff and Vestry**

**Staff**

The Rev. Edward Curtis—Interim Priest  
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The Rev. Arland Wallace—Deacon  
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