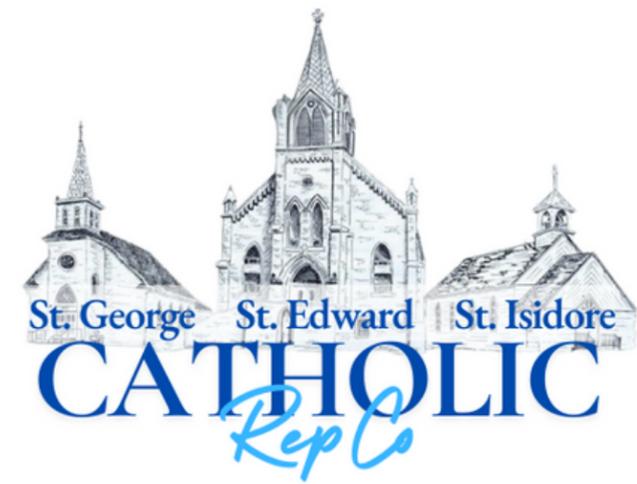


  
**REPUBLIC COUNTY CATHOLIC CHURCHES**  
**ST. EDWARD, ST. GEORGE, ST. ISIDORE**  
 1827 Q Street PO Box 99 Belleville, KS 66935  
 785-527-5559 | [www.repcatholic.com](http://www.repcatholic.com)

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 4th, 2025



**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday	9:00am - 3:00pm
Tuesday	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Thursday	12:00pm - 4:00pm
Friday	12:00pm - 4:00pm

New Parishioners, welcome to our parish! Go to our website [www.repcatholic.com](http://www.repcatholic.com) to register.

**STAFF**

<b>Pastor</b>	
Fr. Joseph Kieffer	785-259-1384
<a href="mailto:pastor@repcatholic.com">pastor@repcatholic.com</a>	
Dcn. Steve Heiman	785-527-1322

**DAILY MASS TIMES**

Wednesday	6:00pm	<b>Parish Secretary</b>	
Friday	8:00am	Micayla Walden	785-527-5559
1st Saturday of the Month	8:30am	<a href="mailto:micaylaw@repcatholic.com">micaylaw@repcatholic.com</a>	

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

<b>Saturday</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. St. George, Munden	4:00pm		
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sat. St. Isidore, Cuba	4:00pm		
5 <sup>th</sup> Sat. St. Edward, Belleville	4:00pm		
OLPH, Concordia	6:00pm		
<b>Sunday</b>			
St. Edward, Belleville	8:30am		
OLPH, Concordia	10:30am		

**CONFESSION**

30 minutes before each Mass

**ADORATION**

Wednesday	6:30pm-9:30pm	Ronda Blecha	Joelle Feight
Friday	8:30am-1pm	Paul Chopp	Elaine Coonrod
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday Family Holy Half Hour	9:00am		

**Director of Religious Education & Safe Environment Coordinator**  
 Micayla Walden 785-527-5559  
[micaylaw@repcatholic.com](mailto:micaylaw@repcatholic.com)

**St. Edward Parish Council**

Melissa Martin, President  
 Bill Mahin, Vice President  
 Stephanie Stindt, Secretary  
 Bob Morris  
 Kay Rieke  
 Monica Thayer  
 Morris Wilber

**St. Isidore Parish Council**

Jane Baxa  
 Karl Baxa  
 Wayne Pachta  
 Paul Kieffer

**St. George Parish Council**

Ronda Blecha  
 Paul Chopp  
 Joelle Feight  
 Elaine Coonrod



**SAFE ENVIRONMENT GUIDELINES**

Education & Screening

All clergy, religious, seminarians/persons in formation, employees, educators, as well as volunteers who minister with minors are required to complete a background check and safe environment training. For more information about safe environment compliance requirements, please contact your parish/school safety coordinator or visit [www.salinadiocese.org](http://www.salinadiocese.org)

Reporting & Victim Assistance

Report allegations of the abuse of a minor to the Department of Children and Families 800.922.5330 KBI Crime Hotline/800.572.7463

If you suspect abuse of a minor by church or school personnel, in addition to contacting civil authorities, use one of the confidential diocesan reporting resources below:  
 Phone: 866.752.8855  
 Website: [reportandprotect.com](http://reportandprotect.com)  
 Email: [reportabuse@salinadiocese.org](mailto:reportabuse@salinadiocese.org)  
 Reports will be responded to promptly by the Victim Assistance Coordinator

To report an incident of sexual abuse and related misconduct by a Bishop or Religious Superior, currently, or in the past, the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service provides a confidential Hotline: 800.276.1562 Website: [reportbishopabuse.org](http://reportbishopabuse.org)

The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities as they investigate reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including, but not limited to church personnel.

Any questions in regards to education, reporting, or victim assistance can be directed to the Safe Environment Office  
 Diocese of Salina  
 785.827. 8746



7-2025

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Grand Knight - Randy Hansen

Pro-Life Rosary every Wednesday evening at 5:30pm before Mass. Please join us when you can.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast January 4<sup>th</sup> after 8:30am Mass.

**CCW (COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN)**

Chairperson - Kay Rieke

Secretary - Debra Krotz

Treasurer - Chris Wilber

A women's organization serving the parish and building faith individually and with other women.

• Next meeting will be Monday, January 5, at 7 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Center

**Next Week Ministry List**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>St. Isidore 1/10 @ 4:00pm</u></b></p> <p><b>Lector</b> - Lynne Pachta  <b>Cantor</b> - Raymond Baxa  <b>Organist</b> - n/a  <b>EMHC</b>- Kelly Kieffer  <b>Servers</b>- Nick Baxa, Denton Pachta  <b>Hospitality</b>- Butch &amp; Linda Gieber  <b>Carry Gifts</b>- Butch &amp; Linda Gieber</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>St. Edward 1/11 @ 8:30am</u></b></p> <p><b>Lector</b> - Daryl Rieke  <b>Cantor</b> - McKenna Carlgren  <b>Organist</b> - Cherish Reeves  <b>EMHC</b>- Jane Raney, Mike Baxa, Rosemary Burt, Chris Pachta  <b>Servers</b>- Jacob Pachta, Drake Mahin, Lincoln Jones  <b>Hospitality</b>- Roger &amp; Sandy Kling, Mike &amp; Judy Baxa  <b>Carry Gifts</b>- Roger &amp; Sandy Kling</p>
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*Prayer List*

\*names will remain on prayer list for 3 months unless office is notified.

Steve Boling	Ethan Ines
Roy Hamel	
Lori Frybarger	
Ella Arnold	
Paige Arnold	

**December Contributions**

	St. Edward	St. George	St. Isidore
12/7	\$3,206.00	\$2,337.29	\$525.00
12/14	\$3,412.00	\$90.00	\$1,721.00
12/21	\$4,578.95	\$1,419.00	\$10.00
12/25	\$8,674.00	\$40.00	\$110.00
12/28	\$8,043.48	\$210.00	\$798.0

# PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

In their thirst for knowledge of God, the wise men from the East willingly left everything, their home and country, in pursuit of that quest. In their diligent search they were led to the source of true knowledge - to Jesus Christ, the Light and Wisdom of God. When they found the newborn King they humbly worshiped him and gave him gifts fitting for a king.

The Lord of the universe who revealed the star of Bethlehem to the Gentiles of the East so they could come and worship Jesus, the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6) and King of Kings (Revelations 19:16), gives each one of us the same light of revelation to recognize and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Faith is an entirely free gift that God makes to us. It is through the help of the Holy Spirit, who moves the heart and opens the eyes of the mind, that we are able to understand, accept, and believe the truth which God has revealed to us through his Son, Jesus Christ. In faith, the human will and intellect cooperate with grace. "Believing is an act of the intellect assenting to the divine truth by command of the will moved by God through grace" (Thomas Aquinas).

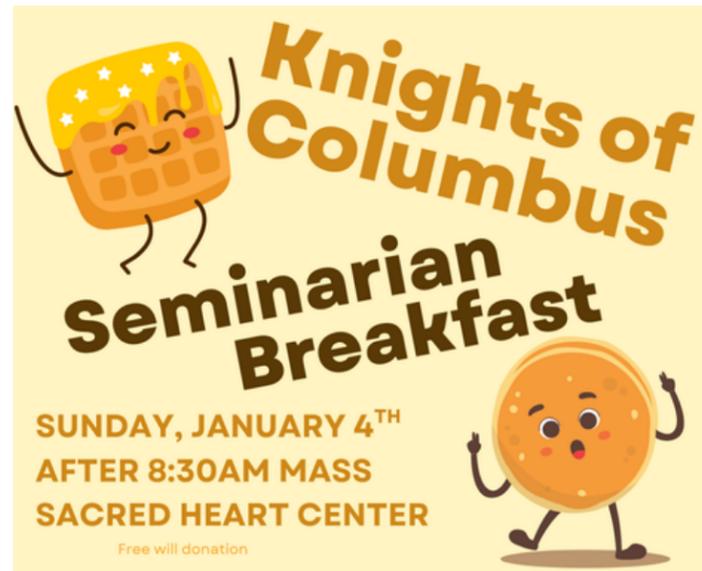
To know and to encounter Jesus Christ is to know God personally. In the encounter of the wise men with Jesus we see the plan of God to give his only Son as King and Savior, not just for the Jewish people but for all the nations as well. The Lord Jesus came that both Jew and Gentile might find true and lasting peace with God. Let us pray today that Jew and Gentile alike will find the Lord and Savior on their journey of life. Do you bring the light of Jesus Christ to those you meet through the witness of your life and testimony?

Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Joseph Kieffer*

**Pastor Away:** I will be taking a vacation from January 12 – 22, 2026. In my absence Fr. Tuyen will celebrate the weekday Mass and Fr. Kyle Berens will cover the weekend Mass on January 17/18. If there should be any sacramental emergencies or funerals please call Fr. Andrew Rucker or Fr. Barry Brinkman. You can reach Fr. Ruckers at 785-656-3710 and Fr. Brinkman at 785-243-2113. **A reminder, if you should get a text, phone call or email asking you for help because I'm stuck somewhere or need a gift card. This is a SCAM. Do not respond.**

## PARISH NEWS



**Adoration** - We are in need of someone to cover 8pm-8:30pm on Wednesday Night Adoration, please contact the office if you are able to fulfill this role.

**Faith Formation Classes** resume this Wednesday, January 7 at 7pm. Looking forward to seeing all the students again.

❄️**Snow Removal**❄️ If you are interested in helping remove snow this winter, please contact Mike Baxa at 785-527-0170. A Flocknote will be sent out before snow removal times.

**Thank you** for all the cards and Christmas gifts. Diane & I are truly blessed to belong to this caring parish community!  
- Deacon Steve



Statues, sacred images, and relics serve as visual sacramentals that lead our hearts to Christ. When they are used as intended-pointing us toward Him- they help order our devotion in humility, obedience, and unity in Christ alone.

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Saturday 1/3

8:30am First Saturday Mass St. Edward +*Arthur T. Seybert*  
9:00am Family Holy Half Hour  
3:30pm Confessions St. George  
4:00pm Mass St. George +*Ivan Coonrod*

### Sunday 1/4 The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am Confessions St. Edward  
8:30am Mass St. Edward +*Don Greene*

### Monday 1/5 St. John Neumann, Bishop

6:00pm Book Study - Rectory  
7:00pm CCW Meeting

### Tuesday 1/6 Christmas Weekday

### Wednesday 1/7 Christmas Weekday

9:00am Psalms Bible Study - Rectory  
6:00pm Mass St. Edward +*Shelia Sjöholm*  
6:30pm Adoration  
7:00pm Faith Formation  
8:30pm KofC Meeting

### Thursday 1/8 Christmas Weekday

### Friday 1/9 Christmas Weekday

8:00am Mass St. Edward +*Steve Wren*  
8:30am Adoration

### Saturday 1/10 Christmas Weekday

3:30pm Confessions St. Isidore  
4:00pm Mass St. Isidore *People of the Parish*

### Sunday 1/11 The Baptism of the Lord

8:00am Confessions St. Edward  
8:30am Mass St. Edward +*Fr. Cornelius Khine*

## Year-End Tax Contribution Statements

are now available. They may be accessed through Flocknote under the *Giving* tab, or by contacting the parish office to request a printed copy. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship and generous support of our parish mission.