



## Knights to host 32nd annual Basketball Classic

The 32nd annual Basketball Classic for Vocations between the Blue Knights of Knights of Columbus Council #4118 and the Padres (priests of the Wichita Diocese) is scheduled for Feb. 9 at the Bishop Carroll Catholic High School Gym. Doors will open at 6 p.m., and the tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Donations will be taken at the door, with proceeds going to support the Council's religious vocations programs

and primarily to provide direct financial support to seminarians. The Padres lead the series with 18 wins to 13 for the Knights.

By hosting this event since it started, Bishop Carroll Catholic High School has been instrumental in the success of this program. The BCCHS pep band and cheerleaders

have been an integral part of the festivities since the beginning.

The Basketball Classic has been blessed to have more than 70 priests, including four bishops, participate over the years. Some of the priests on the Padres' current roster weren't born when this event first took place.



Several businesses and individuals have provided financial support over the years. This year's business sponsors include Catholic Family Federal Credit Union, Dustin Hern with K of C Insurance, Damm Music Center, Eck & Eck, Leon Keiter – Attorney at Law, Apex Excavating, HiFi Dueling

Pianos, and Frosty's DJ Service.

The Knights of Columbus hopes everyone will mark their calendars for Feb. 9 and plan to attend this event supporting religious vocations. Prior Basketball Classics have raised more than \$62,000 to support religious vocations programs.

*– Larry Damm, Past Grand Knight & Basketball Chairman*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### February

- 9.....Knights vs. Padres Basketball Classic, BCCHS Gym, 7 p.m.
  - 16-18.....Parish Mission with Deacon Harold
  - 20.....Discovering Christ, 7 p.m. (1st of 7 sessions)
  - 21.....Kapaun's Men Morning Session (1st of 8 classes)
  - 22.....Mardi Gras Dinner and Dance
  - 25.....Kapaun's Men Evening Session (1st of 8 classes)
  - 26.....Ash Wednesday Masses: 8 a.m., noon, 5:30 p.m., 7 p.m.
  - 26-April 8.....God Squad
  - 27.....Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace Workshop (1st of 7 classes)
  - 27-March 1.....ACTS Men's Retreat
- Full calendar available on SFA website*

# Stewardship Focus: Pillars of Life

*This is a regular series created by our Stewardship Council shedding light on the Pillars of Life: service, prayer, formation and hospitality.*

## Formation

The start of a New Year gives us the feeling of a fresh start within our lives. As you decide on your New Year's resolutions, here are a few stewardship ideas: practice gratitude, pray and attend Mass more often, be present to others, resist overwork, nurture friendships, give more, make a difference



in your parish community. As you resolve to do these things, don't give up; turn to the Lord! – International Catholic Stewardship Council

## Service

Whoever wants to be great must become a servant. The world defines greatness in terms of power, possessions, prestige and position. Jesus, however, measured greatness in terms of service, not status. God determines your greatness by how many people you serve, not how many people serve you.

## BAPTISMS

**Liam Julian**, son of Jacob & Sally Carlson, Dec. 1

**Janetta Rae**, daughter of Benjamin & Dolhia Patterson, Dec. 1

**Lucas Ray**, son of Jesse & Rhianna Smith, Dec. 7

**Frances Piguerra**, daughter of Michael & Annabel Trager, Dec. 8

**Kimber Grace**, daughter of Richard & Kelly Hamilton, Dec. 21

**Veronica Ella**, daughter of William & Heather Kilian, Dec. 22

**Lillian Margaret**, daughter of Peter & Tess Rohleder, Dec. 28

**Macie Morgan**, daughter of Dustin & Amanda Downing, Dec. 28

## FINANCIAL REPORT - DECEMBER 2019

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## NEW PARISHIONERS

**Tyler & Stephanie Nordman**,  
1 child

**Katherine Ternes**

**Hector & Maria Rios**

## FUNERALS

**Ryan Finn**, son of Rose & Pat Finn,  
Dec. 7

**Jim Aukofer**, father of Lori DeCicco  
& Andrea Horvat, Dec. 10

**Warren "David" McFadden**,  
brother of James McFadden &  
Russell McFadden, Dec. 12

**Wade McCart**, son of Betty  
McCart, Dec. 13

**Bernice King**, mother of Valerie  
Morley & Tina Beugelsdyk, Dec. 30

**Dahlia Garcia**, child of Norma &  
Jonathan Garcia, Dec. 31

# Music Ministry Christmas Concert



The St. Francis Music Ministry holds its annual Advent and Christmas concert on the Sunday before Christmas.



Photos by Anna Harter



## Stewardship Thought

*“Among the vulnerable for whom the Church wishes to care with particular love and concern are unborn children, the most defenseless and innocent among us. Nowadays efforts are made to deny them their human dignity and to do with them whatever one pleases, taking their lives and passing laws preventing anyone from standing in the way of this. ... Precisely because this involves the internal consistency of our message about the value of the human person, the church cannot be expected to change her position on this question ... It is not ‘progressive’ to try to resolve problems by eliminating a human life ...”*

— Pope Francis’ Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* #213-214

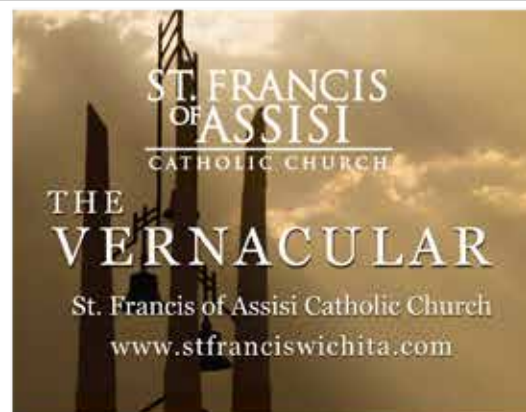


*“For you created my inmost being;  
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.”*

*Psalm 139:13*

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