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## One Nation, Under God

This is the fourteenth Sunday in ordinary time and this July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend marks the 232<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the birth of America. Originally, it was founded as a Christian nation, operating under Christian principles. The framework was established to make us a moral and mighty people but, over time, we've begun distancing ourselves from God. We have allowed a minority to strip the rights of the majority. One woman took prayer out of schools. A small group continues to eat away at the public display of the Ten Commandments. One court case made abortion the law of the land. A paltry few want to remove God from our money and our pledge of allegiance. A special interest group of less than 10 percent of the population wants us to redefine marriage.

Sometimes, the onslaught of evil in this country begins to feel overwhelming. We look at the news and what was once celebrated as good has now become evil and evil has become good. But *Isaiah 5:20 tells us, "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil."*

In the prayer delivered in 1996 by Rev. Joe Wright of Wichita to the Kansas House of Representatives points this out with great clarity and is worth repeating: **"Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask Your forgiveness and to seek Your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, "Woe to those who call evil good," but that is exactly what we have done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and reversed our values. We confess:**

**We have ridiculed the absolute truth of Your Word and called it Pluralism.**

**We have worshipped other gods and called it multiculturalism.**

**We have endorsed perversion and called it alternative lifestyle.**

**We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery.**

**We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare.**

**We have killed our unborn and called it choice.**

**We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable.**

**We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self-esteem.**

**We have abused power and called it politics.**

**We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition.**

**We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression.**

**We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment.**

**Search us, Oh God, and know our hearts today; cleanse us from every sin and set us free."**

Rev. Wright has taken the right road of prayer and is a great example to follow. 2 Chronicles 7:13-14 tells us that God said to Solomon, *"if I close heaven so there is no rain, if I command the locusts to devour the land, if I send pestilence among My people, and if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."* Today, we lack the rain of God's word, the locusts of special interest and greed are devouring our land and there is a pestilence of perversion among the people. Satan is using our laws to pervert the Christian underpinnings of our society. However, we as Christians have a mightier and more powerful weapon and that is humility and prayer. 1 Tim 2:1 tells us *"to pray for those in authority so that we may be able to live a peaceful and quiet life"* *Isaiah 55:6-7 says we must "Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for he is generous in forgiving."*

The answer isn't a protest or a new law or even a tea party. The answer is for Christians/Catholics-- God's people, to repent and turn from sin, then humble ourselves before the Lord and pray. We must do this now while the Lord may be found and before it's too late for this once great country. May we be "One nation, under God. . ."

*Deacon Gary R. DiLallo*

*Pastoral Administrator*

Thank You!

Many thanks to everyone whose efforts helped to make the St. Hyacinth Parish Picnic a great success. We appreciate everyone who worked before the event on the committees, those who spent time working on Sunday, and those who purchased our car raffle tickets, our cash raffle tickets, sold tickets, enjoyed the food at the picnic, cooked the food for the picnic, purchased takeout, baked, crafted, donated, and helped in all the unmentioned but greatly appreciated ways.

We couldn't have done it without you!

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered into me and set me on my feet" (Ezekiel 2:2) Are you confused about the direction your life is taking? Do you find yourself afraid to take the next steps regarding school, work, or possibly a vocation (life commitment)? God **promises** to lead us to the path meant for us and then to **give us** the Holy Spirit for the strength and wisdom to follow that path. Trust in our loving God who says, "My grace is sufficient for you."

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Happy 233rd Birthday, USA



GIFT TO GOD

St. Francis of Assisi – June 27 - 28

Weekly Budget \$3385.00  
Total Offering \$  
Surplus/Deficit - \$

St. Hyacinth– June 27-28

Weekly Budget \$3600.00  
Total Offering \$  
Surplus/Deficit - \$

Thank you to everyone who supports our parishes with financial support, involvement in ministry, organizations, and in prayer.

To insure proper credit, please help the volunteers who count our collections by noting the amount of your donation on your envelope. Thank You!

**NOTE:**  
Due to early submission of the bulletin the results are not available. They will be posted next week.

Saint Hyacinth Church is happy to announce that the funds which were raised at the **Founder's Day food sale were over \$500.00**. They kindly **donated** these funds to **St. Hyacinth Church** to be used to help defray the amount owed to the **CMA collection**. The **Picnic Committee**, who ran the booth, is thanked for their generous gift, not only of money, but of time in preparation of the food, and working on the day of the sale.



Congratulations to...

Brandon Noga, who celebrated his First Communion at St. Hyacinth Church on Saturday, June 20, 2009.

Save the date

This summer, Vacation Bible School at St. Hyacinth, will be held August 10—14. More information will be available closer to the date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

As of Thursday, July 2, the Thursday morning Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church will be changed permanently from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM. This is to accommodate the other priests' schedules.

**PARISH PROGRAMS**

**Sacrament of Penance/Confession**

**Friday: 8:00 AM (SH)**  
**Saturday: 8:00 AM & 3:00—3:45PM (SF)**  
**4:00—4:30 PM (SH)**

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Baptismal preparations will occur the first Monday of every month. Please call the parish office.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Contact the Pastoral Administrator at least 6 months in advance.

**Hospitalized:** Please notify the Church Office.

**New Parishioners:** "We welcome you!" Please contact the church office for registration .



**Sacred Music Concert**

Sunday, July 12, 2009 at 2:30 PM  
Rain Date, July 13 2009 at 7:00 PM  
Falcon Park  
Home of the Auburn Doubledays  
No baseball game that date  
Vocalists and musicians from Local Churches  
For More Info: Art Fritz (252-006)

**St. Francis Church** is in need of **Lectors** and **Eucharistic Ministers**. Please consider this ministry as both you and the Church will benefit. Anyone interested please call the Parish office at 252-7593.

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**St. Francis & St. Hyacinth** still have dates available for Sanctuary Memorials. Please consider having one of these candles burning in memory of your loved ones. Please call the office @ 252-7593/252-7297 for more information.

**The Social Ministry Committees** from both churches want to remind you that we are still collecting items for the **Migrant Farm Workers and their Children**.

**Saint Hyacinth Church will be collecting items until July 12.** The items include: Household Linens; Kitchenware, including pots and pans and dishes; Small Appliances, such as radios, fans, small refrigerators; Clothing for men, women and children; Food Items, including granola bars, packages of cookies and crackers, fruit and applesauce cups, pudding cups, microwave pop corn, juice boxes and bottled water.

**Saint Francis Church will be collecting items through the end of July.** They are particularly interested in items for First Aid Kits, including, Band-aids, Cotton balls, Anti-biotic wipes, Tweezers, Instant ice packs, small bottles of Peroxide, Neosporin, Hydrocortisone Cream, sterile gauze, Bactine spray, Elastic bandage rolls. They are also collecting items for the children's entertainment, especially new or used Children's videos/DVD's, used VCR or DVD players, craft and beading supplies, crayons or markers.

If you need more information, please call (SH) Carolyn Napoli at 253-4107 or (SF) Terry Lang at 246-9015.

**Your help is greatly needed and appreciated!**

**Parish Cluster Groups and Ministries**

**Joint Pastoral Council Members:**

Monica Bryla	Linda Fentner
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