



HIGHWAY 4 CATHOLICS



St. John the Evangelist *Herington* ✠ St. Phillip *Hope* ✠ St. Columba *Elmo*
 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time • Three parishes • One family in Christ

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 8, 2026

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Whether you're in Herington or Elmo, Hope is always on the horizon. Many of us have domicile near State Highway 4; hence the name of our website: highway4catholics.org

Keep Your Lamps Burning*



Dear Parishioners,
 In today's Gospel, Matthew 25:1-13, Jesus tells the parable of the ten virgins who go out with their lamps to meet the bridegroom. Five are wise and bring extra oil; five are foolish and bring none. When the bridegroom is delayed, all fall asleep. At midnight the cry goes up, and only those who are ready go in to the wedding feast.

The oil cannot be borrowed at the last minute. It is the faith, prayer and love that we build up day by day. No one can pray for us, love for us, or receive the sacraments for us. Each of us must keep our own lamp filled.

The first reading tells us that Wisdom "hastens to make herself known" to those who seek her, and St. Paul assures us that those who have died in Christ will rise with him. In this month of the Holy Souls, that is our hope: "Thus we shall always be with the Lord."

Let us fill our lamps this week with a little more prayer, a visit to the Blessed Sacrament, a kind word, or a good confession. Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour!

Fr. Saji*

* Tentative draft - replace with Fr. Saji's write-up.

SUNDAY READINGS

Reading I: Wisdom 6:12-16

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
 (R. 2b) "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God."

Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14

Alleluia: Matthew 24:42a, 44

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

MASS TIMES

Monday, November 9
 Lateran Basilica
 No Mass

Tuesday, November 10
 St. Leo the Great
 Hope 5:30 PM - TBD*

Wednesday, November 11
 St. Martin of Tours
 Herington 7:30 AM - TBD*

Thursday, November 12
 St. Josaphat
 Elmo 5:30 PM - TBD*

Friday, November 13
 St. Frances X. Cabrini
 Herington 5:30 PM - TBD*

Saturday, November 14
 Vigil: 33rd Sunday
 Herington 4:30 PM - TBD*
 Elmo 6:30 PM - TBD*

Sunday, November 15
 33rd Sunday
 Hope 8:30 AM - TBD*
 Herington 10:30 AM - TBD*

* Mass intentions TBD - confirm with Deacon Dick.

CONFESSION TIMES

½ hour before weekend Masses or by

THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Herington: 11/7, 4:30 PM
 Lector: T. Hardwick
 Usher: D. Matile
 Altar Server: T. Hardwick
 Rosary: T. Roth

Hope: 11/7, 6:30 PM
 Lector: D. Lorson
 Usher: C. Lorson
 Rosary: E. Davidson
 Cleaning: R. Whitehair

Herington: 11/8, 10:30 AM
 Lector: E. Kickhaefer
 Usher: M. Kickhaefer
 Rosary: M. Hardwick

Elmo: 11/8, 8:30 AM
 Lector: T. Lydic
 Ushers: Jim Anderes Family
 Cleaning: M. Hamm/M. Falen
 Yard Care: Parish Council

NEXT WEEKEND'S LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Herington: 11/14, 4:30 PM
 Lector: M. Stenstrom
 Usher: D. Matile
 Altar Server: M. Diekmann
 Rosary: S. Wirtz

Hope: 11/15, 8:30 AM
 Lector: E. Dillon
 Usher: D. Dillon
 Rosary: J. Rziha
 Cleaning: J. Barrett

Herington: 11/15, 10:30 AM
 Lector: T. Hardwick
 Usher: A. Stuart
 Altar Server: T. Hardwick
 Rosary: V. Hammersmith

Elmo: 11/14, 6:30 PM
 Lector: T. Lorson
 Ushers: L. & J. Sorenson
 Cleaning: M. Hamm/M. Falen
 Yard Care: Parish Council

Veterans Day

We pray for all who served our country, on the feast of **St. Martin of Tours**, soldier-saint.

 **WHEN** Wed., Nov. 11

 **WHAT** Mass, Herington 7:30 AM*

Knights of Columbus

 **WHEN** Wed., Nov. 11 • 7:00 PM

 **WHERE** Parish Hall, Herington

CYO Convention

High schoolers, speaker **Joe Melendrez**. Bishop Vincke invites all our youth!

 **WHEN** Sat.–Sun., Nov. 14–15

 **WHERE** Hays, Kansas

Igniting Hope Annual Campaign

Catholic Charities: food, housing help, counseling and pregnancy support for neighbors in need. **Gifts matched up to \$200,000!**



 **WHEN** Collection Nov. 14/15, all 3 parishes

 **ONLINE** ccnks.org/ignitinghope

 **CONTACT** Carolina Butts • 785-825-0208

Please Pray For

Our sick and deceased (names TBD*) and all the Holy Souls.

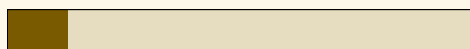
Saint of the Week

St. Frances X. Cabrini (Nov. 13): first U.S. citizen saint, patroness of immigrants.

Stewardship of Treasure * tentative – update from Deacon Dick

St. John

November so far **14%**



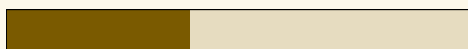
\$862* of \$6,000

 Last weekend **\$862***

 Needed this weekend **\$1,200**

St. Phillip

November so far **43%**



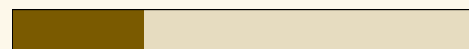
\$856* of \$2,000

 Last weekend **\$856***

 Needed this weekend **\$400**

St. Columba

November so far **31%**

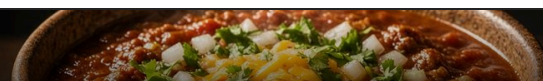


\$502* of \$1,600

 Last weekend **\$502***

 Needed this weekend **\$320**

Thank you for your generosity – every gift keeps our churches open!



Today after Mass!

Sun., Nov. 8th

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

St. John's Annual

 **Soup Luncheon**

Chili & Potato Soup

Parish Hall • 712 North Broadway, Herington

Free Will Donation

Part of proceeds to Family Resource Exchange

Eat in or carry out ♦ Soup ♦ Dessert ♦ Drink

Thanksgiving Day

 **WHEN** Thu., Nov. 26

 **WHAT** Mass time to be announced*

Volunteers Needed

Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, soup helpers.

 **CONTACT** Contact TBD*

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