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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am Wednesday - 7:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Sunday - 7:30 am

BAPTISMS - Preparation class required for first time parents and inactive Catholics.
Contact Lilly to schedule.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating marriage must contact Lilly at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary www/hfehays.org

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www.tmp-m.org

Mass Intentions			
Sun. June 8	8:00 am	+Virgil Pfannenstiel	
Wed. June 11	7:30 am	L/D Alan & Juanita Stecklein family	
Sun. June 15	8:00 am	L/D Francis & Mary Ann Legleiter family	
Wed. June 18	7:30 am	+Farron Leiker	

SERVERS

Sun June 8 Ahnalyn Leiker & Trenton Staley

Sun June 15 Makailyn Leiker & Rafe Richmeier

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun June 8 John M, Ken R, Tony S, Michelle W.

Sun June 15 Jenalyn L, Peggy R, Wendy R, Dec. Steve

Sun June 8 Lilly Binder Brandon & Brandi Z.

Sun June 15 Gene Gottschalk Darold & Evelyn Younker

GREETERS

Sun June 8 Jerry & Sylvia Gross

Sun June 15 Linda Gross

Total

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, June 8

Ernie Binder, Francis Leiker, Rexton Leiker, Josh Waddell

Sunday, June 15

Jerry Gross, John Moeder, Trenton Staley, Sid Steinert

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure				
Envelopes	\$2,191.00	·		
Loose	\$52.00	Weekly Offering		

\$2,243,00

FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER

Transcendentals

Truth, beauty and goodness. All of these things draw us out of ourselves and toward our creator. It is no wonder that when Catholic churches get away from the beautiful traditions of their heritage, they lose parishioners. In fact, it is through beauty and tradition that many have come to the fullness of the Catholic Church. One such example would be a convert and brilliant mind of our own times, Dr. Peter Kreeft.

"Dr. Peter Kreeft, professor of philosophy at Boston College and prolific author, has spoken and written on the topic of beauty for decades. He is personally aware of the evangelizing power of beauty; the beauty of Catholic art and architecture played an important role in his conversion to Catholicism. As a child, growing up in a Calvinist home, he was taught that Catholics were wrong. One of the earliest seeds of doubt was planted when his family went sight-seeing in St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. He was stunned; he had never seen anything like it before. He asked his father, "If the Catholics are so dreadfully wrong, how can their churches be so beautiful?" He connected beauty with truth." (The Catholic World Report: May 1, 2020)

I am not about to pretend that we can just build beautiful things and people will flock to the Church. This would be to deny the other transcendentals of Truth and goodness. However, these three should work in tandem with one another to awaken our true selves and point us toward our heavenly Father.

Think back to any time you have attended the Easter vigil in a gorgeous church. As the lights come on, the incense is burned, decorations are immaculate and candles are everywhere, it is very hard to not be drawn out of yourself. At this very moment, our souls cry out for the truth, beauty and goodness in that moment. Many times, it is such a beautiful moment that the faithful are moved to tears. And why is this? Because the most beautiful thing that has ever happened is taking place. Christ our redeemer has saved us from darkness, sin and death. He has brought us into the light and waits at the altar to unite Himself to us in the most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist! The beauty in the art, decorations and smells are pointing us to reality. They are pointing us to Heaven!

On this Pentecost Sunday, may we allow the Holy Spirit to open our senses to the truth, beauty and goodness of the Catholic faith and may our lives reflect these transcendentals to the world.

Pastoral Council Election today at Mass.

Just a reminder to return your Catholic Charities baby bottles when you come to Mass next Sunday June 15th. Baskets will be available to place them in. Thank you for supporting those who need our services the most. Your financial assistance helps us make a difference in the area community!

Father's Day Breakfast following Mass on Sunday, June 15th in the Parish Hall. Hosted by the Christian Mothers.



Expressions of Sympathy are extended to the family of Mike Suppes. May he and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. *Amen*

Grinnell Tornado Disaster Relief: How You Can Help

Special collection today to provide relief for the tornado victims of Grinnell, KS. Mark your donation "Grinnell". Donations can still be turned in next Sunday.

The Salina Diocese will utilize the Catholic Charities Disaster Relief Fund. The fund is locally held with the Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas and only available for use in the Diocese of Salina. These funds go straight to helping these families whether that's through supplies, housing support, or other critical needs.



"Lord, we thank you for the life-giving rain.

We are grateful for the renewal it brings, the refreshment it provides, and the nourishment it offers to the earth. May this rain not only sustain our physical needs, but also nourish our

spirits and inspire us to appreciate your abundant blessings. Help us to be mindful of the gifts you provide and to use them wisely. We ask for your continued grace and favor. Amen."

Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

Today's gospel tells us God actually wants to take up residence in your family, "We will come and make our home with you." Every family is called to be a tabernacle where God dwells. Is Jesus a permanent member of your family or a temporary guest? Today the promise is given. The choice is ours.

Bible Reflection ~ Stewardship Goal

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (JOHN 14:26) The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions. What you put in your mind, heart, and soul affects your actions. Put good things in and good things will come out.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

Fr. Daryl's 50th Anniversary Celebration is Sunday, June 8 at St. Boniface Church in Tipton. 4pm Mass 5:30pm Dinner in the Tipton Community Center 7 to 9pm Music and Dancing

I hope you can all make it. I look forward to seeing you all there.

May God bless you, Fr. Daryl Omstead

Immaculate Heart of Mary Monthly Breakfast Bring your Fathers to Breakfast! When: Father's Day, Sunday, June 15. Time: 8:30 AM till 12:00 PM Where: IHM Parish Hall Free Will Offering Items For Your Tastebuds: Scrambled Eggs - Sausage - Bacon Hash Browns - Biscuits & Gravy. All Invited for food and fellowship! Breakfast assisted by volunteers from the Hays CYO and Jr. CYO. Proceeds go to Hays CYO & Jr. CYO and IHM Parish.



Corpus Christi Procession

The annual Heartland Parishes Corpus Christi procession is quickly approaching! This year, we would like to try something new.

When: Sunday, June 22, at 3pm

<u>Where:</u> The procession will begin and end at the TMP-Marian grotto.

<u>What to expect:</u> We will begin with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. From there, we will process to Hall Street, from Hall Street to 27th Street, and then back to TMP. Altars will be set up along the way for prayer and adoration. Devotions will be prayed during the procession, and periods of silent procession will be observed for private prayer and devotion as well!

Other information: It may possibly be hot that day, so please be sure to dress appropriately, bringing sunscreen, fans, or other items as needed. Water bottles are encouraged, although bottles of water will also be offered to people along the way.

EVERYONE IS INVITED.

Are you traveling this summer — on vacation, spending time at sporting events out of town, enjoying trips to the lake? You can always find a Mass time and location near you. Call or visit.... 1-800-Mass-Times (1-800-MASS-TIMES) or https://catholicmasstime.org/



Amy Moeder, Amber Lacewell, Special Intentions, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Carla Meier, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, Chris Brull, Requests Carol Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facili-

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know. Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.

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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Today we reach the finale of the Easter season with the celebration of the great Feast of Pentecost. Reflecting on today's readings inspires a sense of awe as we consider the mighty power of the Holy Spirit at work giving birth to and sustaining our Church. Just as awesome — the same Spirit is calling to us this day to take up our part in the Church's saving work.

In the first reading, from Acts, we see the creative genius of the Holy Spirit moving through the newly confirmed Apostles "who began to speak in different tongues as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim." The large crowd, gathered from all over the world were "amazed" and "astounded" that each one could understand the Apostles speaking in their own language.

Each one of us, young and old alike, is personally called today by the Holy Spirit into the same mission as that of the first Apostles — to advance the Kingdom of God in our corner of the world. Just as He did on that Pentecost day, the Holy Spirit speaks to us in our "own language" to give us the Good News of the Gospel and urge us to share it. We can think of our own language as the particular gifts, talents, and passions we possess. We experience the presence of the Holy Spirit through them and we are meant put them to the work in grateful service of the Kingdom of God.

When we consider the stewardship way of life we are called to live, we often focus on the challenges it poses. Surrendering ourselves to God is indeed a challenging way to live. But it leads to a life that is exciting, creative, and deeply rewarding. Stewardship allows us to experience life as a great adventure because it is a life guided and directed by the very source of power and creativity—the Holy Spirit!

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CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal (785) 625-3131

May 16 - Aug 18

Summer Break! Enjoy your Summer!

May 26 - 30

Office Closed - Memorial Day Week

June - July

Summer Office Hours Tues - Thurs 8:00 - 1:00



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Melissa Schoepf, Jr. High Assistant Principal (785) 625-6577



Reuse & Recycle for Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities uses the white, plastic Dillons Pickup pictup bags for their outreach services. They are useful in preparing the food and personal hygiene bags

that are distributed to families. Drop off bags at 1011 Centennial Blvd, Hays.



There was a teacher who was helping one of her kindergarten students put his boots on. He asked for help and she could see why. With her pulling and him pushing, the boots still didn't want to go on.

When the second boot was finally on, she had worked up a sweat. She almost whimpered when the little boy said, "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet." She looked, and sure enough, they were. It wasn't any easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on. She managed to keep her cool as together they worked to get the boots back on.

He then announced, "These aren't my boots." She bit her tongue rather than get right in his face and scream, "Why didn't you say so?" like she wanted to. Once again, she struggled to help him pull the ill-fitting boots off.

He then said, "They're my brother's boots. My Mom made me wear them." The teacher didn't know if she should laugh or cry. She mustered up the grace to wrestle the boots on his feet again. She said, "Now, where are your mittens?" He said, "I stuffed them in the toes of my boots."

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Mission Statement:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is built on a foundation of faith. We continue that spirit by welcoming all people to participate in our spiritual growth. As we are called to love God and and be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.