

St. Francis of Assisi Church

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*Lord make me an
instrument of peace...*



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GRAND KNIGHT

Kyle Jones 785-656-3007

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

Jane Younger 785-259-3374

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 785-625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

www.tmp-m.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Oct 1	8:00 am	L/D Herman & Rosie Leiker family
Wed. Oct 4	7:30 am	L/D Mark & Dora Leiker family
Sun. Oct 8	8:00 am	+Danny Pfannenstiel, Jr.
Wed. Oct 11	7:30 am	L/D Don & Charlotte Werth

SERVERS

Sunday, Oct 1	Ahnalyn Leiker & Makailyn Leiker
Sunday, Oct 8	Reylyn Leiker & Trenton Staley

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun. Oct 1	Jenalyn L, Nathan L, Amy P, Tony S.
Sun. Oct 8	John M, Ken R, Peggy R, Josh W.

LECTORS OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Oct 1	Ken Richmeier	Brandon & Brandi Z.
Sun. Oct 8	Tina Waddell	Neal & Carolyn Younger

GREETERS

Sunday, Oct 1	Linda Gross
Sunday, Oct 8	Wilbert Gross

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, October 1

Wilbert Gross, Jeff Richmeier, Tony Staley, Brandon Zimmerman

Sunday, October 8

Jerry Gross, David Leiker, John Oborny, Randy Werth

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, October 1	Mark & Dora Leiker
Sunday, October 8	Deanna Leiker
Sunday, October 15	Herman & Rosie Leiker
Sunday, October 22	Jason & Rose Carter

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$1,662.00
Loose	\$107.00
Total	\$1,769.00



FROM THE DESK OF FATHER DAMIAN

St. Francis and the Stations of the Cross

In 1220, Francis went to Holy Land to convert the Muslim rulers. He was able to preach to Saladin, the Muslim ruler. Saladin wasn't converted, but gave Francis permission to visit the Holy Sites. The Franciscans have been taking care of the Churches in the Holy Land ever since. Francis saw the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. He prayed in the tomb of Christ. He walked from Pilate's Palace, where Christ was condemned, to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, which was built over the sites where Christ was crucified, died and was buried. When Francis got back to Italy, he, like any tourist, immediately started telling everyone that they needed to go to the Holy Land to see these incredible places. But 800 years ago, pilgrimages to the Holy Land were rare things. Most people lived out their lives no more than 30 miles from where they were born.

But Francis wanted the people of Assisi to experience what he experienced in the Holy Land.

So, if he couldn't bring the people to Jerusalem, he could bring Jerusalem to them.

He encouraged churches to build shrines marking moments in the Passion of Christ. The Dominicans (founded at the same time as the Franciscans) also promoted this devotion.

Eventually, the Franciscans got permission to put these stations within churches and to grant the faithful the same indulgences that would have been given to those who traveled to Jerusalem. Pope Innocent XI recognized the need and granted their request, paving the way for the Stations of the Cross as we know them today.



Server Patens Being Used at Masses at St. Francis of Assisi.

This fall we will begin using patens at Masses here at St. Francis as well as St. Nicholas.

St. Joseph's has used patens for several years. Thomas More Prep started using patens at their school Masses at the beginning of the school year.

A Communion paten is placed under the chin or the hands of the communicant to ensure that the host, or particles of the host do not fall to the ground. The patens are then purified over the chalice by the priest or deacon, and the chalice is purified with water, which is drunk by the priest or deacon.

As Catholics, we believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Through the words of consecration by the priest, bread and wine change substantially into Christ's body, blood, soul and divinity. The whole of Christ is present in every part of the species of bread and wine.

The use of the paten helps us realize the magnitude of the gift we are receiving.

Just as we don't want an American flag to touch the ground, we don't want a host or a fragment of the host to touch the ground either.

We show such respect to a flag out of our desire to honor our country.

We show such respect to the Blessed Sacrament out of desire to show love to our Lord.



Our Annual Anniversary Mass and Potluck Sunday, October 1st. Mass at 11:00am with potluck to follow in the Parish Hall. Each family is asked to bring one covered dish of their choice. Munjor Knights will be providing the chicken. Table settings and drinks will be provided. Plan to attend for good food and fellowship.



Wednesday, 6:30 pm

NEEDED: Religious Education Teacher. For more information, please contact Joe Pfannenstiel at 785-

Christian Mothers ~ New members will be installed at Mass Sunday, November 19th. If you are interested in joining or have questions contact Jane Younger 785-259-3374 or Bea Suppes 785-625-5180. Also, at the November meeting positions of Vice-chair & Secretary will be selected. To nominate someone or if you are interested, please contact Jane or Bea.

Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus asked, "What is your opinion?" Why do we think our opinion is dogma or fact? An opinion is only how we perceive a situation or how we feel comfortable doing something. Don't argue over or become divided by "your opinion."



Kenny Pfannenstiel, Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, Helen Werth, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Carla Meier, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, Chris Brull, Carol Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities. Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.

Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.

BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..." Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND



Will you stand for the unborn? National Life Chain Sunday 2023 - On Sunday, Oct. 1st, across the U.S. and Canada will provide a visible and resolute voice for the voiceless children who are threatened by the surgical abortionists' cruel instruments or by the deadly chemicals in abortive birth controls. The event itself will start at 1:00pm, at the St. Joseph Cemetery in Hays. All will gather at the Memorial of the Unborn for a brief prayer service, then proceed to Vine Street from 26th Street north for the Life Chain from 1:15 to 2:15pm.



Knights of Columbus Annual Tootsie Roll Drive has been designated for October 6th - 8th. On these days, members of the Kansas K of C will be positioned in front of banks, stores and churches handing out "Specially Marked" Tootsie Rolls while seeking donations for people with intellectual disabilities. Thank you to all supporters, God bless you!

Public Square Rosary Crusade will be held at noon, on Oct. 14, at the Downtown Pavilion, 10th & Main, Hays. For more information, contact Gail Staab, at 785-650-4544.

St. Catherine's Christian Mothers ~ Katharinenstadt's Essenfest. German Style Cook-Off, Sunday, October 22, 2023, from 11:00am - 1:00pm in the Kennedy Cafeteria. Enter a GERMAN FOOD for a chance to win a cash prize. Deadline to register is October 18. Taster Cost: \$5.00 per person which can be purchased at the door. To register or for more info call/text Sarah Shubert at 785-656-2399. There will also be a Bake Sale, Polka Music & 50/50 Raffle!

TMP-M PTF Soup Supper Sunday, October 22, from 4pm - 7pm in the Dining Hall. Serving will be chili, green bean dumpling, sandwiches and cinnamon rolls. Carry out available. Free will offering. All soup supper proceeds support classroom and student scholarships



Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Exemption When: Saturday, November 11, 2023

Where: DOC Hanger, near the Eisenhower International Airport in Wichita, Kansas

Time: 12:00pm to 9:00pm

Eligibility: Any 3rd Degree member in good standing

Deadline: Saturday, October 21, 2023

If you are a Third Degree member and would like to join the local Knights of Columbus Bishop Cunningham Assembly, please contact our Faithful Navigator Jerry Wasinger at 785-432-3246 or Faithful Comptroller Bradley Stramel by email brstramel@gmail.com

DIOCESAN NEWS

Diocesan Anniversary Masses 2023 Bishop Vincke & the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary & all other wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 and any anniversaries over 70 years in 2023. Sunday, October 15th at 3PM Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina & Sunday, October 29th at 3PM St. Nicholas of Myra, Hays. Register by going to the link below or call the parish office and we can assist with your registration. No cost to attend. <https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life>

If you have ever laughed at one of Bishop Vincke's stories in his monthly e-news; if you have ever read a story in faith magazine and been brought to tears; if you have ever clipped out a photo of your grandchild in The Register; if you have ever tuned into The Three Bald Guys while on a drive, checked out an event on the diocesan website or heart-reacted a social media post, please consider making a gift to support the annual Communications and Publications Drive. You can do so by using the enclosed envelope in the Oct. issue of The Register or the Nov. issue of faith. Or you can make a gift online at salinadiocese.org

ANNUAL ADOPTION MASS is scheduled for Friday, November 3 at 6:00 P.M. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. This event is hosted by Catholic Charities in honor of those who have been touched through adoption in their own lives. A reception will follow.

Want to create a lasting legacy for your parish, Catholic school, ministry or the diocese? It's simple! You can do this in your will, a life insurance policy or other beneficiary designations. Gifts of any size make a big difference and helps pass on your Catholic values for future generations. Contact the Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina for more information – development@salinadiocese.org.

Stars and Stripes Breakfast Sunday October 8th, 7:30 am to 12:00 pm at the VFW, 22nd & Vine, Hays. Proceeds go to Optimist Club of Hays, which supports Hays & Ellis County youth. Contact Elmer J. Finck @ 785-650-1050 for tickets.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
(785) 625-3131

- Oct 4 Pet Blessing 2:45 Playground Parking Lot
- Oct 6 First Friday Prayer Circles
- Oct 11 Early Release dismiss at 1:15
Freddy's HFE Fundraising Night
- Oct 13 End of Qtr 1
- Oct 19 October Birthday Mass & Lunch



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal
(785) 625-6577

- Oct 6 8:00 All School Mass

For more information you can check the TMP-Marian website under the Google Calendar for the latest updates from the school.

150th celebration of our Volga German Ancestry ~ 2026.

Ellis County Historical Society is in the beginning stages of planning for this event. If you would like to participate in the planning etc., the first meeting will be Monday, October 16th at 7 pm at the ECHS. For more info call 785-650-1943.

Shells Partially Donated by Northwestern Printers.

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.

St. Catherine's Christian Mothers

KATHARINENSTADT'S ESSENFEST

German Style Cook-Off

Details

When: Sunday, October 22 11:00 - 1:00

Where: Kennedy Middle School Cafeteria 1309 Fort St

Entry Cost: Enter a GERMAN FOOD for a chance to win a Cash Prize! There is no entry fee.

Cash Prize for the top 3 People's Choice Award

Deadline to register is October 18

Taster Cost: \$5 per person, you can purchase at the door. Taste all entries!

Call/Text Sarah Shubert for registration

Cell: 785-656-2399

There will also be a Bake Sale, Polka Music,
and a 50/50 Raffle!!

Proceeds will be donated to local charities.



TMP-M PTF

Soup Supper



Sunday, October 22, 2023

TMP-M Dining Hall

4:00 – 7:00 pm

Chili Soup, Green
Bean Dumpling
Soup,
Sandwiches &
Cinnamon Rolls



Carry out available

*****Free Will Offering*****

*All Soup Supper Proceeds Support Classroom &
Student Scholarships*