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



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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 625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

www.tmp-m.org

Sunday, March 13th, 2022 ~ Second Sunday of Lent

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Mar 13	8:00 am	+Nick & Almeda Stecklein
Wed. Mar 16	7:30 am	L/D Tony & Vera Rohr family
Sun. Mar 20	8:00 am	L/D Tony & Wilma Seib family
Wed. Mar 23	7:30 am	L/D Frank & Pauline Younker fam.

SERVERS

Sunday, March 13	Valerie Dome & Jacob Leiker
Sunday, March 20	Wyatt Gerstner & Makailyn Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, March 13	Ernie Binder & Deacon Steve
Sunday, March 20	Jenalyn Leiker & Michelle Werth

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. March 13	John Moeder	Kenny & Ann Pfannenstiel
Sun. March 20	Lauren Moeder	Jeanette Pfannenstiel

GREETERS

Sunday, March 13	Tony & Diana Staley
Sunday, March 20	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, March 13

Larry Koirth, David Leiker, Greg Pfannenstiel, Neal Younger

Sunday, March 20

Nathan Leiker, John Moeder, Tony Rohr, Josh Waddell

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, March 13	Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, March 20	Linda Gross
Sunday, March 27	Herman & Rosie Leiker
Sunday, April 3	Darold & Evelyn Younker

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$1,915.00
Loose	\$77.00
Parish Supper	\$1,530.00
Candles	\$50.00
Total	\$3,572.00



REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
 Philippians 3:17-4:1
 Luke 9:28b-36

In today's Scripture readings, our main characters Abram and Jesus each experience a theophany or a mountaintop experience. Abram comes to know God's manifestation to him through the tangible forms of the smoking fire pot and flaming torch. Jesus, in his body, experiences a major transformation or transfiguration upon a mountain. Both men come to know God in a deeper, more intimate way. And while the experience for both is scary and wonderful at the same time, in both instances God reveals His plan and His glory. In our lives, we often have a marvelous experience of God or a mountain experience that leads us to feeling like we're on cloud nine. Yet, we need to come down from the mountain and face reality and live out the dying and rising in our ordinary daily lives. These theophanies or mountaintop experiences give us a glimpse of resurrection or what we ultimately desire which is total union with God.

In our first reading from Genesis, God promises Abram two important things...progeny and a new homeland. God promises these things in a concrete way by making a covenant with Abram. Even though God pledges these things to Abram, we know what trust God demands from Abram. First, Sarah, Abram's wife, was infertile so then how was Abram to be the father of many offspring. Secondly, Abram was an old man so how was he to embark on a quest for a new homeland. Yet, God promises and follows through by "cutting a covenant" with Abram. Covenants were usually made by both parties, but in this instance it is one sided. "To cut a covenant" meant that animals were killed and divided into halves. Both parties walked between the halves symbolizing that if they broke the covenant they would experience the same fate as the animals. Yet in this instance, only God, taking form in the fire pot and flaming torch, passes between the various animals. God revealed himself to Abram and promised him probably the two most important things in his life...offspring and a new land. Abram responded by trusting in God, and God carried through on this promise.

In the Gospel, Jesus takes three of his closest companions—Peter, John, and James up the mountain where they witness Jesus' remarkable transfiguration. Jesus is transformed in appearance while praying. This transfiguration points to Jesus' appearance in glory after the resurrection. Although this transfiguration points to Jesus' transformed state after the resurrection, there is a realization in Jesus' conversation with Moses and Elijah that he must pass through a death on the cross. Jesus must experience "an exodus" through the cross before coming to resurrection and future glory. And in God the Father's message to the three apostles, we come to a fuller understanding of what Jesus must endure and what we are called to in our lives. God the Father asks us to listen to his son. And what does Jesus tell us before and after this mountaintop experience—that first he will be put to death and then only raised up in glory. Jesus makes it crystal clear that he will have to suffer and die before coming to glory. He tells us that we too must take up our crosses if we are to experience this transformation or glory.

All of us relish these mountaintop experiences or extraordinary moments when God blesses us with a glimpse of Himself. But God always calls us to head down the mountain and to begin our ordinary day. It is in the ordinarieness of our lives that we carry out the paschal mystery or the exo-

...that Jesus experienced. God shows us those mountain-top experiences to give us hope and to push us towards something greater. But the everyday dying and rising is what brings us the hope of glory in the resurrection. So let's work fervently in this season of Lent to give ourselves over to the paschal mystery that pattern of dying and rising that Jesus shows us.

Religious Education: No Class Wednesday, Spring Break.



Stations of the Cross, Friday 7:00 p.m.
Volunteer servers appreciated.

Donations for Ukraine: Donations to help with the Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine can still be turned in, if you have not already done so. Mark your check and/or envelope 'Ukraine' and drop in the regular collection basket, or mail to the parish office. Thank you for your generous support!



The *Victoria K of C* Fish Fries will once again offer dine-in service. Carry out is available. We will be serving deep fried Pollock, fried noodles and beans, coleslaw, baked potatoes, bread and drink. Cost will be \$15 for adults and \$5 for children. The dates are March 18, and April 1. We will begin serving at 5pm and serve until 7:30pm, or until the food is gone. Location is the Victoria VFW Hall.

IHM CYO & St. Mary's K of C Fish Fry Friday, March 25th
4 - 7pm or until food is sold out. HFE Little Theater

Munior K of C Fish Fry Friday April 8th 5-7 pm
Menu: Fried Fish, Noodles & Beans, & Grebbel.
Dine in or to go orders welcome. Munior School.

St. Joseph's Parish is hosting their annual Meatless Soups/Breads on Friday's during Lent in the Kennedy School Cafeteria from 5 to 6:30pm.

PERSEVERENCE TO SUCCEED

Raúl and Lilian have faced many challenges while trying to provide for their family and pursue their dreams in Guatemala. With support from Catholic Relief Services, they have been able to overcome these obstacles and grow their business while helping their community along the way. In what ways are you being challenged to serve others this Lent?

Hays Session: The first phase of the two-year synod called by Pope Francis is happening in local dioceses throughout the world. The goal of the synod is to become a more "listening" Church. A listening session will be held at St. Nicholas parish hall, March 20th, at 3pm. Anyone is invited.

March – Learn about *Labeling for Lent*, a national initiative of the Coalition of Catholic Organizations against Human Trafficking; include human trafficking issues in your prayers in church and with other groups; contribute to help abolish this crime. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

A Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

Jesus "went up the mountain to pray" and he was "changed." Prayer has the power to change us. This Lent set aside a few minutes each day to pray for members of your family. Pray before each meal and if you are married, spend five minutes in prayer together.



Faith and Family with host Steve Wood uses his background in protestant preaching to dive into Scripture to teach the meaning behind the words found in the Bible. Tune in to 105.7 FM, online at dvmercy.com, or on the free phone app at 8:30 AM on Saturdays.



Prayer Requests: Theo Leiker, Mike Suppes, Chris Brull, Matt Shorman, Carole Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

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



The mission of the Church is to go out and make disciples.

The Salina Diocese has that same mission – to be disciples who make disciples through witnessing by faith, hope and love. The primary way that mission is funded is through the Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share. Please prayerfully consider joining in the mission. • Make your gift online at join.salinadiocese.org • Mail a check to Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina (memo: Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share) | P.O. Box 1696, Salina, KS 67402-1696 • Learn more at salinadiocese.org/office/catholicfoundation-for-diocese-of-salina

Did you know you can offer prayers at your holy hour for a particular religious or seminarian in the Salina Diocese? See the prayer cards in the box on the table in the Adoration Chapel and let these individuals know you are supporting their work and praying for them. It means so much to each one.

Thank you!

The Vocatio Group of the Heartland

*Lent is a journey that moves us
towards the Cross.*

Daughters of Isabella food & craft bingo is March 13 @ 1pm, Immaculate Heart of Mary Activity Center. Snacks available for purchase. A 50/50 raffle will be held. Please come & support the D of I! D of I members please bring your prizes from 11:30-12:30 the day of the bingo!

Gracious God, we pray for all persons suffering from war. May they be held in your loving care and protection and given the strength to endure great suffering and hardship. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Peace and in the name of your Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

The PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL 1805 Vine IHM Church The Adoration Chapel is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week and Jesus is waiting for you. Following are the times available and names, time responsible and phone numbers of the Archangels. Time slots available: Thursday 12:00am / Saturday 10:00am



Prayer For Moisture

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, grant us sufficient rain/snow, so that, being supplied with what sustains us in this present life, we may seek more confidently what sustains us for eternity. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



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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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
(785) 625-3131

March 14-18 NO SCHOOL ~ Spring Break

March 23 McDonald's Neighbor Night 5 - 8 pm

March 24 Father's Mass - 8:00 am



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

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

March 14-18 NO SCHOOL ~ Spring Break

MONARCH 3 ON 3 TOURNAMENT Get your team ready and register today. Who: Girls and Boys in 3rd through 8th grade When: Saturday, March 19 Where: TMP, Holy Family Elementary, and Kennedy. Fee: \$10.00 per player Entry Deadline: Monday, March 14. To register online please visit <https://www.tmpm.org/o/tmpm/page/monarch-3-on-3-tournament> For more information contact Rose McFarland 365-0850 or e-mail mcfarlandr@tmpmarian.org

Host Families for International Students Having an international student live with you is more than just having a roommate. Having a student in your home is your chance to teach them about how you live and celebrate national holidays. Things that you can learn from an international student cannot be taught from a textbook such as meal etiquette. If you are interested in becoming a Host Family please call Michele Springer at 785-259-3083.

AUCTION FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ACE 2022 is back with a full in-person oral auction on Sat. April 30th in the Al Billinger Fieldhouse at TMP-M. Online bidding for silent items will begin Friday 4/29 at 9:00 AM and conclude throughout the evening on Saturday. Only ticketed guests

Take care of your body as if you were going to live forever, and take care of your soul as if you were going to die tomorrow.

St. Augustine

Our Lady Help of Christians - Antonino

St. Anthony - Schoenchen

Lent - Holy Week - Easter

In the Heartland Parishes

Immaculate Heart of Mary - Hays

St. Nicholas of Myra - Hays

Wednesday, March 2, Ash Wednesday

Catherine - 7:00pm

Comeau Catholic Campus Center -

IHM - 8:00am (HFE), 12:05pm, 5:30pm (English), 7:30pm (Spanish)

Munjor - 7:00pm

St. Joseph - 6:30am, 12:05pm, 7:00pm

St. Nicholas - 12:15pm, 5:30pm

Friday, March 4

IHM - 7:00pm English Stations, 8:00pm Spanish

Munjor - Stations 7:00pm

St. Joseph - Meatless/Bread Soup Supper 5:00pm, Stations 6:30pm

St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am-7:00pm/Stations & Confession 7pm

Wednesday, March 9

Catharine - Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Friday, March 11

IHM - 7:00pm English Stations, 8:00pm Spanish

Munjor - Stations & Confession 7:00pm

St. Joseph - Meatless/Bread Soup Supper 5:00pm, Stations 6:30pm

St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am-7:00pm/Stations & Confession 7pm

Wednesday, March 16

Catharine - Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Friday, March 18

IHM - 7:00pm English Stations, 8:00pm Spanish

Munjor - Stations 7:00pm

St. Joseph - Meatless/Bread Soup Supper 5:00pm, Stations 6:30pm

St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am-7:00pm/Stations & Confession 7pm

Saturday, March 19

St. Joseph - St Joseph Day, Solemnity Mass at 5:00pm

Wednesday, March 23

Catharine - Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Friday, March 25

IHM - 7:00pm English Stations, 8:00pm Spanish

Munjor - Stations & Confession 7:00pm

St. Joseph - Meatless/Bread Soup Supper 5:00pm, Stations 6:30pm

St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am-7:00pm/Stations & Confession 7pm

Sunday, March 27

IHM - Communal Reconciliation Service 3:00pm

Wednesday, March 30

Catharine - Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Friday, April 1

IHM - 7:00pm English Stations, 8:00pm Spanish

Munjor - Stations 7:00pm

St. Joseph - Meatless/Bread Soup Supper 5:00pm, Stations 6:30pm

St. Nicholas - Adoration 8:00am-7:00pm/Stations & Confession 7pm

Sunday, April 3

St. Joseph - Communal Reconciliation Service 3:00pm

Tuesday, April 5

St. Nicholas - Communal Penance Service 6:30pm

Wednesday, April 6

Catharine - Stations of the Cross 6:30pm

Munjor - Communal Penance Service 7:00pm