

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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## PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Lilly Binder 785-623-8000

## FINANCE/PASTORAL COUNCIL

### CHAIRPERSON

Brian Pfannenstiel 785-650-1387

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Joseph Pfannenstiel 785-259-2762

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Ann Pfannenstiel 785-628-8458  
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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### GRAND KNIGHT

Kevin Stramel 785-623-7101

## 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](http://www/hfehays.org)

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

[www.tmp-m.org](http://www.tmp-m.org)

**Sunday, November 5, 2023 ~ Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. Nov 5	8:00 am	L/D Steve & Jeanette Pfannenstiel family
Wed. Nov 8	7:30 am	+David Hertel
Sun. Nov 12	8:00 am	+Mary Lou Pfannenstiel
Wed. Nov 15	7:30 am	+Walter & Matina Younger

**SERVERS**

Sunday, Nov 5	Ahnalyn Leiker & Reylyn Leiker
Sunday, Nov 12	Hayley Gerstner & Trenton Staley

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sun. Nov 5	Jenalyn L, Lauren M, Glenn S, Tina W.
Sun. Nov 12	Amy P, Wendy R, Michelle W, Dcn. Steve

**LECTORS      OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Sun. Nov 5	John Moeder	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Sun. Nov 12	Lauren Moeder	Alan & Juanita Stecklein

**GREETERS**

Sunday, Nov 5	Deanna Leiker
Sunday, Nov 12	Herman & Rosie Leiker

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, November 5**

Larry Koirth, Nathan Leiker, Blake Spencer, Glenn Stramel

**Sunday, November 12**

Tony Rohr, Gary Staab, Trenton Staley, Neal Younger

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, November 5	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Sunday, November 12	Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, November 19	Jeff & Wendy Richmeier
Sunday, November 26	Aaron & Kolleen Dome

<b>Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure</b>	
Envelopes	\$2,065.00
Loose	\$61.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,126.00</b>



**FROM THE DESK OF FATHER DAMIAN**

**Nicholas Resurrecting the Children**

You may have noticed the statue of St. Nicholas in front of St. Nicholas church. That statue has a wonderful pro-life message behind it.

The story goes that, during a time of famine, three small children were gleaning in the fields. As they worked and played, they wandered off into the town. Walking about and exploring, the children forgot the time. When it was late and the sun going down, the children were hungry, tired and lost. They came to a lighted butcher's shop, knocked and said, "We are lost and hungry. May we eat and sleep?" "Oh, yes," came the reply, "do come in."

As they enter, the butcher takes a sharp knife, cuts them up, and puts them in a large salting tub. His plan was to grind them into sausages and pretend they were pork.

Nicholas, however, had his suspicions. He was a good judge of character and could tell when something was off. So, hearing about the missing boys, Bishop Nicholas appeared at the butcher's door, saying to the evil butcher, "Open your large salting tub!" The saint puts his hand on the tub and, appealing to God, says, "Rise up, children." The little children awake and stand up. Their families joyfully welcome them home.

This is what is going on in the statue in front of church.

Ever since then St. Nicholas has been the patron and protector of children.

There are other versions of the story which change the details of how the boys were killed and how the butcher was planning on eating them. But the core is the same—children suffer an awful fate, only to be rescued by Nicholas.



**Coffee, rolls and conversation** following Mass this morning hosted by K of C. Everyone is invited.




**2024 Mass Intentions** are now being accepted.

Please limit to 3 requests.

Stipends \$10.00 per Mass.

Contact Lilly to schedule ~ 785-623-8000

**Religious Education: Wednesday, 6:30 pm**  
**NEEDED: Religious Education Teacher. For more info, please contact Joe Pfannenstiel at 785-259-2762**


 Larry Roda, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, 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.*

## Remembrance: All Souls Service



Wednesday, November 8, 6:00 pm at the cemetery.

During the month of November, we remember parishioners and non-parishioners who have died since last All Souls Service and were buried in our cemetery.

*Arlis Koerner  
Mary Jane Koerner  
Stacey Schumacher Badger  
Marion Schumacher  
Mary Ann Befort  
Peter Pilatus  
Jerry Koerner*

## EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

### All Souls Services

**Our Lady Help of Christians, Antonino, Saturday, November 4th** at 3:00pm at the cemetery.

**St. Anthony's Cemetery, Schoenchen Sunday, November 5th** at noon at the cemetery.

**St. Francis of Assisi, Munjor Wednesday, November 8th** at 6:00pm at the cemetery



**Munjor Knights of Columbus Stag** Tues, Nov. 7th at the Munjor School Gym. Social from 6 to 7pm, Dinner at 7pm. Menu: mountain oysters, potatoes and beans. \$15.00 a ticket. Gun raffle, need not be present to win. Raffle for prizes will be held for those present. Tickets available from David Leiker 785-623-0094 or any K of C member. Tickets will also be available at the door.

**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. Also, at the November meeting positions of Vice-chair & Secretary will be selected. To nominate someone or if you are interested, please contact Jane.

### Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus describes the vocation of parents: "The greatest among you will be your servant." Children take our blood, genes, strength, name, patience and resources. A parent's servitude begins at the moment of conception. The Lord is present in each of our acts of selfless love.

**The K of C Bishop Cunningham Assembly** will have their annual Memorial Mass at 6pm, on Saturday, Nov. 18, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. A Memorial Banquet will take place following Mass at the *Venue Room at Thirsty's Brew Pub & Grill Restaurant*. Banquet tickets are \$20.00 a person. The dinner will start at 7:30pm. Please choose one meat option smoked brisket or honey pecan chicken. Sides include mashed potatoes, green beans, roll and a side salad. A cash bar will be available. **RSVP** to Bradley Stramel by Friday, Nov. 10th by email at [brstramel@gmail.com](mailto:brstramel@gmail.com) or you can stop by the IHM parish office.



**The St. Joseph Thanksgiving Bazaar** will be Sunday, November 19th. Dinner tickers will be available after all the Masses at St. Joseph's Church or inquire by calling the St. Joseph's Parish Office 785-625-7356. \$16.00 Adults, \$8.00 Children ages 5-11 and those under 5 eat for free!

**Ellis County Ministerial Alliance - Thanksgiving Feast,** Nov 23rd 11:00 - 1:00 pm. Kansas National Guard 200 Main St. Hays. Free meals must be reserved by November 6th. Reserve yours or to volunteer call 785-623-2800.



Please consider giving a gift box this Christmas through Cross Catholic Outreach's box of joy program. This program serves poor children who not only lack many of the necessities in life, but also do not have the joy of receiving Christmas gifts. Our Bishop is part of the board for this program and speaks very highly of it.

What a simple and wonderful way to show the love of Christ to others. For more information, please see the display in the vestibule, or contact Cody Marintzer 785-628-1446



**St. Ann's Altar Society, Liebenthal** invites everyone to a Roast Beef & Chicken Noodle dinner at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church School Basement in Liebenthal. on Sunday, November 12th from 11 a.m.

to 1 p.m. Adults and kids 11 and up \$12; children 10 and under at \$6.00. Raffle. Tickets available at the door. All proceeds for to St. Ann's Altar Society.

**BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL**

*“Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.” - Matthew 23:12*

The world celebrates people in the spotlight and those who have the most of everything. We think celebrity, money and possessions is the key to happiness. Yet, our world is filled with more loneliness, anxiety and depression than ever before. The key to a happy life is relationship. Relationship with God and each other. Trust is the foundation of any good relationship and humility is the seed of trust.

**Ask-A-Priest** If you have a question about the Catholic Faith, or if you've been asked a question about a Catholic Church teaching and you're stumped on how to respond, now you have a way to get your question answered anonymously from Fr. Fred Gatschet, Vicar General for the Diocese of Salina. Just go to [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com) and click on the "Ask-a-Priest" banner. There, you can submit your question which will be answered on an upcoming episode of the Double-Edged Sword Program on Divine Mercy Radio.

**Prayer for all Souls Day**

*Merciful Father,  
hear our prayer and console us.  
As we renew  
our faith in Your Son,  
whom You raised from the dead,  
strengthen our hope  
that all our departed brothers and  
sisters will share in His resurrection,  
who lives and reigns  
with You and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.*



**Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar**  
In today's gospel the Pharisee was talking about commandments (Something we are forced to obey by external pressure) and Jesus was talking about love (an internal exhortation to give our heart, soul and mind to another). One demands allegiance, the other requires personal commitment. In our families we daily lay down our lives for each other not because we 'gotta' but because love compels us.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Mandy Meagher Principal  
(785) 625-3131

- Nov 6 No Bus Services at HFE
- Nov 8 Early Release - dismiss at 1:15  
Papa Murphy's Fundraising Day (All Day)
- Nov 10 NO SCHOOL - Diocesan Inservice
- Nov 13-17 Fall Canned Food Drive



**THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**  
Chad Meitner, Principal

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

- Nov 8 Early Release JH 1:05 HS 1:00pm
- Nov 9 7 - 8 pm JH Bingo Night
- Nov 10 NO SCHOOL - Diocesan Inservice

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

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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.*



join us for a

# Roast Beef & Chicken Noodle Dinner

with all the fixin's



~ Sunday ~  
November

12

St. Joseph's Catholic Church  
School Basement, Liebenthal

\$12 ADULTS & KIDS 11 & up

\$6 CHILDREN 10 & Under

11 am to  
1 pm

Raffle for Cash Prizes and Themed Baskets! Tickets  
available from Altar Society Members or at the door.

Proceeds go to St. Ann's Altar Society, Liebenthal

**ELLIS COUNTY MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE**

# THANKS GIVING

*Feast*



**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**  
Call 785-623-2800

**23  
NOV**

**11:00AM - 1:00PM**  
**FREE MEALS**  
**(MUST BE RESERVED)**

**KANSAS NATIONAL GUARD**

200 MAIN ST, HAYS, KS 67601

**ALL MEALS MUST BE RESERVED**  
**NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 6TH!**

**RESERVE YOURS BY:**

785-623-2800 OR

<https://signup.com/go/eCjbPxP>

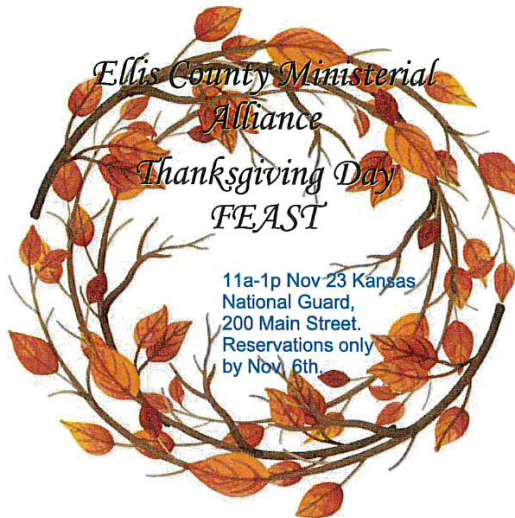
TRANSPORTATION WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.

**SEND YOUR TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS TO**  
**ECMA • P.O. BOX 173 • HAYS, KS 67601**  
**PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT ECMA'S SECOND MILE FUND**

*Ellis Co. Ministerial Alliance*

COLLECTION WILL TAKE PLACE NOVEMBER 11TH FROM 8A-4P AT HAYS WALMART AND BOTH DILLONS LOCATIONS! THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THOSE IN NEED!

*The Ellis County Ministerial Alliance is currently taking food donations to distribute to families on Thanksgiving Day. Food will be distributed immediately following the Thanksgiving Day Feast.*



Questions?

Call First Call for Help of Ellis  
County

785-623-2800

## Items Needed:

Dried pastas & canned sauces

Macaroni & cheese

Instant potatoes

Pancake/waffle mix & syrup

Canned soups

Ramen noodles

Canned meats

Canned Fruits

Canned vegetables

Cereal

Peanut Butter

Jelly

Boxed dinner mixes

Rice