

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

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

**Sunday, July 24th, 2022 ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. July 24	8:00 am	+Alicia Brull
Wed. July 27	7:30 am	+Farron Leiker
Sun. July 31	8:00 am	L/D Don & Charlotte Werth fam
Wed. Aug 3	7:30 am	+Carol Schlegel

**SERVERS**

Sunday, July 24	Makailyn Leiker & Rexton Leiker
Sunday, July 31	Benjamin Dome & Trenton Staley

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, July 24	John M, Lauren M, Bea S.
Sunday, July 31	Jenalyn L, Ken R, Wendy R.

**LECTORS**

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Sun. July 24	Gene Gottschalk	Josh & Tina Waddell
Sun. July 31	Nathan Leiker	K of C Members

**GREETERS**

Sunday, July 24	Amy Pfannenstiel
Sunday, July 31	K of C Members

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, July 24**

Gary Staab, Caleb Staley, Sid Steinert, Darold Younker

**Sunday, July 31**

Wilbert Gross, Blake Leiker, Mark Leiker, Jeff Richmeier,

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, July 24	Aaron & Kolleen Dome
Sunday, July 31	Jeff & Wendy Richmeier
Sunday, August 7	Deanna Leiker
Sunday, August 14	Mark & Dora Leiker

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes	\$1,431.00
Loose	\$169.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,600.00</b>



**REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN**

Genesis 18:20-32  
Colossians 2:12-14  
Luke 11:1-13

Several months ago before I fell asleep, I prayed each night that an issue would be resolved in my daughter's life. At first when I started making this prayer, the focus was on the outcome I wanted. But after a while, I changed my prayer to asking that whatever God wanted I would learn to accept. God answered my prayer not in the manner I wished it, but he definitely answered my prayer request. This week, after learning from Mary the importance of a listening heart from last Sunday's Gospel, we again are on the road to Jerusalem traveling with Jesus. Jesus has stopped to pray, and we pick up with the disciples asking their master to teach them how to pray. In response to their request, Jesus first gives them the best prayer in the "Our Father". Then he goes on to give a teaching on what is important in our prayer life. So let's begin our journey.

First, we need to reflect on Abraham's walking with God and their discussion about Sodom and Gomorrah. The evil of the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah is well known throughout centuries. Our story in today's first reading picks up from last week when God visited Abraham through three men. This week God has decided to investigate the evil of the two cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. Abraham walks with God, and as he does he pleads his case to spare the cities if so many innocent people are found in Sodom and Gomorrah. He starts out with the number fifty and then goes down to ten. The discussion between Abraham and God mimics two persons bargaining with each other in an outdoor market. Abraham, while being forthright, is very reverent in pleading his case to God. God accepts Abraham's request that if ten innocent people are found God will spare the cities from destruction. Abraham's directness and honesty with God are characteristics that we might imitate when we pray to God.

In the Gospel from Luke, we have Jesus praying as he is on his way to Jerusalem.

The disciples see Jesus in prayer and ask that he might teach them how to pray. Jesus begins his instructions on prayer by giving them the "Our Father". Scripture scholars think this Lucan version, while shorter, may be more original. In the "Our Father", Jesus begins by addressing God as *Abba* which translated means *Daddy or Papa* and reveals an intimate relationship with his Father not found in Jewish prayers. Luke has also given his version a sense of the end times by having Jesus pray "your kingdom come". After the "Our Father", Jesus goes on to tell a parable about a friend who goes to another friend asking for bread at midnight to feed unexpected guests. Even though the friend who is being asked to help refuses at first, he eventually gives in because of the persistence of the borrower. Finally, Jesus relates how as humans we know how to be good to our children, and God is even more loving and giving to his people when we pray with sincere hearts.

So as we journey with Jesus for another week, we understand the importance of fervent prayer. Persistence is a posture we know to have when we pray. We also know that God will answer our prayers, maybe not in the fashion we demand, but what is in the best interest of us and God's overall providence. And like Abraham we need to have a certain forthrightness and sincerity about how we approach God. We often think we can fool God when we pray, but God knows our hearts and our true desires. So on the journey of life, let's make sure everyday we talk to our "daddy" or "papa" and ask him for what we really need.

~ Deacon Steve



Did you know we will (hopefully) have nine seminarians this year? Would you like the chance to meet them? This year, there will be two Annual Seminarian Fundraising Dinners. The first is on August 10 at the Salina Country Club in Salina, and the second is on August 11 at The Strand in Hays. The evening includes a cocktail hour, delicious dinner and a short program. Both events begin at 5:15 P.M. The ticket price per person is \$60. To register, visit [salinadiocese.org/events](http://salinadiocese.org/events)

**Knights of Columbus Food for Families** food drive is July 31. Please bring your food donations to church with you next Sunday. Bags will be passed out after Mass. Thank you for your support.

#### A Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

Today's gospel guarantees if we "ask" we will "receive," perhaps not what we wanted but what our Heavenly Father knows is best for us, His children. All the love we have for our children, God has for us and more. As our children trust us, we must trust 'Our Father'.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** states that the process is "designed for adults who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the living God and enter the way of faith and conversion as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts". The Rite goes on to say that the initiation of catechumens (those not baptized) is "a gradual process that takes place within the community of the faithful". Therefore, all of us have a responsibility to call people to the Church. If you know someone who might be interested or you are interested in joining the Church, please join us for the RCIA process beginning Thursday, Sept.8, at 6:30pm, in the St. Nicholas parish activity center. For more information contact Deacon Steve at [urbs57@gmail.com](mailto:urbs57@gmail.com).

Begin each day  
with a *grateful heart*.



#### Join Us For A Value Them Both Holy Hour 6 -7 pm Mon, August 1st Immaculate Heart of Mary

6:00 Exposition 6:05 Rosary  
6:30 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
6:45 Litany to the Blessed Mother  
6:50 Benediction

*Ice cream social to follow in the Little Theater.*

**ADORATION FOR LIFE** St. Joseph Parish will have an Adoration for Life beginning after the 6:30am Mass on Monday, August 1st until 6:00pm and Tuesday, August 2nd, following the 6:30am Mass until 8:00pm.

**Prayer Requests:** Maya Gottschalk, Stan Herrmann, Jerome Herrmann, Carla, Meier, Special Intention, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, 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.*

**JULY** - Check to see if there are residences around you that serve survivors of trafficking. Staff in these residences help to restore the lives of survivors and can use your support. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis,

**Perpetual Adoration Chapel Notice:** Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who have an hour. Contact Bob Feauto 628-1429.

**3 HOURS OPEN: Saturday 10:00AM to 11:00AM Sunday 7:00PM to 8:00PM Friday 9:00PM to 10:00PM**

**AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers** serve between 5 and 40 hours per week, and income eligible volunteers receive a tax-free stipend. Volunteers also receive service-related insurance, mileage reimbursement, and other benefits. All volunteers must complete required background checks. Please reach out to us at 785-628-5809 or [srcomp@fhsu.edu](mailto:srcomp@fhsu.edu) if you like more information or if you have any questions.

**PRAYER FOR RAIN:** O God, our Creator, you are the source of all life. We pray to you who calms the raging waters and commands the wind, to provide us sufficient rain to quench our parched land. We pray for rain that will sustain our crops and land. Help us always be good stewards of your creation and to care for the many resources of this earth. We ask for these blessings through the intercession of Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth. Amen  
St. Isidore, Patron of Farmers and Farm Life—Pray for Us.

**“NAMI Connections”** Meets 1st & 3rd Monday each month 7 to 8:30pm: Hosted by: NAMI Hays - 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. For more info e-mail at [art@namikansas.org](mailto:art@namikansas.org).

**“Healing After Loss”** Support Group meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday each month 10am: Hosted by: Center for Life Experience 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. RSVP by e-mail at [info@cflhope.org](mailto:info@cflhope.org) or call 785-259- 6859.

**“NAMI Family Support Group”** Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month (in-person or online) – 7 to 8:30pm: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: NAMI Hays - 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. For more info e-mail at [art@namikansas.org](mailto:art@namikansas.org).

**“Healing Hearts”** Support Group meets 2nd Thursday each month (in-person) – 6:30pm: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: Center for Life Experience 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. RSVP by e-mail at [info@cflhope.org](mailto:info@cflhope.org) or call for information 785-259-6859.

**The Salina Diocesan of Catholic Women Convention** will be held Saturday, Aug. 20, at St. Nicholas of Myra Church. Pre-register now, forms available in the Gathering Space, or online at [Salinadiocese.org](http://Salinadiocese.org). Registration will begin at 8am and Mass will be at 11am with Bishop Gerald Vincke. A catered luncheon will be served and a raffle will be held.

**RUNNIN’ REVS** game in Hays will take place at 6 P.M. on August 12 at TMP-M Al Billinger Field House. This is a free event to help support seminarians and promote vocations. All are encouraged to come out and show your support!

**Pastoral Ministry Formation:** The Catholic Diocese of Dodge City is offering a number of classes for the Pastoral Ministry Formation for the Fall 2022. For more information, brochures are in the vestibule.

**St. Joseph Sacred Heart Room** Do you have statues, palms, rosaries, prayerbooks, medals or relics that were given to you or that were your parents’ and you just don’t know what to do with them? Don’t throw them away! Bring them in and let us take care of them. Broken rosaries will get repaired and find a new home, palms and other non repairable items will be buried. Many items will find a new home.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
(785) 625-3131

July Office Open Tues-Thurs 9:00-Noon & 1:00-4:00

**Full Time Job Opening: Daytime Custodian** Holy Family Elementary is searching for an individual for a full-time custodial job from approximately 9am to 6pm each day. The potential employee would clean assigned facilities, assist with grounds care, and help with light maintenance work as needed, and have the ability to lift and move 30-50 lbs. Experience is preferred but will train the right candidate. One full health insurance policy, paid sick leave, and paid vacation are offered with this position. Applications can be picked up from the school office.

**HFE has openings for students** entering Preschool, 1st, 2nd, and 5th grade for the upcoming school year 22-23! Please contact the school office at 785-625-3131 if you'd like more information or would like to tour the school!



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

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

July Office Open Mon-Fri 8am - 3pm

**Volleyball Coaches Needed** TMP-M is looking for an assistant high school volleyball coach and a head coach and assistant coach for junior high volleyball. Please email Megan Gottschalk at [mgottschalk@hfehays.org](mailto:mgottschalk@hfehays.org)

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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.*

*I stand for life.*

**Let's pass the Value  
Them Both Amendment.**

Paid for by KFL, Mary Wilkinson, President. Paid for by Family Policy Alliance of Kansas, Brittany Jones, Director of Advocacy.



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11TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

# CALLED TO PROTECT

FAMILY. LIFE . TRUTH



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DR. MARIO ENZLER**

Former Swiss Guard, serving Pope John Paul II and  
Dean of Cameron School of Business at University of St. Thomas

**AUGUST 13TH, 2021**  
**8:00AM - 12:30PM**

**IMMACULATE HEART**  
**1805 VINE ST. HAYS KS**

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