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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 785-625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

www.tmp-m.org

Sunday, September 25th 2022 ~ Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sept 25	11 am	+Les & Lynette Callahan Gross
Wed. Sept 28	7:30 am	+Carol Schlegel
Sun. Oct 2	8:00 am	L/D Joe & Mary Richmeier fam
Wed. Oct 5	7:30 am	L/D Herman & Rosie Leiker fam

SERVERS

Sunday, Sept 25	Jacob Leiker & Logan Leiker
Sunday, Oct 2	Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Sept 25	Tina Waddell & Lauren Moeder
Sunday, Oct 2	Nathan Leiker & Bea Suppes

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Sept 25	Jeanette Pfannenstiel	Joe & Mindy Pfannenstiel
Sun. Oct 2	Ernie Binder	Jeanette Pfannenstiel

GREETERS

Sunday, September 25	Rich & Sherri Ruder
Sunday, October 2	Frank & Paulette Seib

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, September 25

Blake Leiker, Mark Leiker, Gary Staab, Sid Steinert

Sunday, October 2

Larry Koirth, Rexton Leiker, Jeff Richmeier, Trenton Staley

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, September 25	Darold & Evelyn Younker
Sunday, October 2	Aaron & Kolleen Dome
Sunday, October 9	Ken & Peggy Richmeier
Sunday, October 16	Deanna Leiker

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$1,499.00
Loose	\$126.00
Total	\$1,625.00



REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Amos 6:1, 4-7
1 Timothy 6:11-16
Luke 16:19-31

The biggest news in the world of technology is the highly publicized and well orchestrated news about the new Apple products. Everyone on the TV networks and every cell phone carrier is abuzz with the news of the new Apple iPhone 14. We all want the latest and greatest. Or so Madison Avenue tells us. I must admit I am intrigued by the newness and the latest innovations. But there is the problem. In a world of "haves" and "have nots", our Christian conscience should be somewhat pricked in this desire to have the latest and greatest. In Sunday's Scriptures, both Amos and Jesus are speaking quite directly about the false gods of materialism and consumerism. If this reflection makes you feel a little bit uncomfortable, take heart, that in writing it, I too feel that God is calling me to reflect on how I use the material gifts he gave me.

In the first reading from the prophet Amos, the wealthy truly believed they were favored by God. They believed their material wealth was a sign that God had blessed them. And they looked forward to the "Day of the Lord" when God would come among them and shower them with even greater blessings. The irony of their thinking is evident in the prophet's message. Amos tells them that this "Day of the Lord" will be a day of judgment with gloom and destruction. Their life of self-indulgence is unjust in the eyes of God. One example of their extravagant lifestyle is their love of beef from calves that were stalled and fed only with milk. The poor ate mostly bread and rarely enjoyed any meat. Amos sought to change their hearts and help them to realize that God had blessed them and wanted them to share their wealth with the poor.

In the Gospel, we hear the story of the rich man and Lazarus which is unique to Luke and no other evangelist. The rich man was indeed quite wealthy from the details Luke records. His clothing of purple and linen suggest that his lifestyle and possessions were comparable to kings and princes. In contrast, Lazarus was extremely poor and was considered ritually unclean. The Pharisees would have found Lazarus quite disgusting and would even presume that Lazarus' condition was because of some past sin he committed. What a shock to Jesus' hearers when in the parable the fortunes of these two characters are totally reversed. The Pharisees presumed that the rich man would be in the company of Abraham and the patriarchs. Instead, he was suffering in the underworld while Lazarus was enjoying eternal consolation in the "bosom of Abraham". Jesus is telling his listeners that the finality of death brings about one's true place in God's kingdom. Worldly status does not guarantee eternal union with God. Nor would Lazarus coming from the dead change the hearts of the rich man's five brothers who were still amongst the living. The rich man's great sin was not being wealthy, but his refusal to share his good fortune with Lazarus. A relationship of love with God and a love of the poor and downtrodden are necessary for eternal happiness.

Father Richard Rohr says it is extremely difficult for people in the Western world and especially the United States to hear the Gospel message. He says we are so immersed in

our materialism and consumerism that our vision is clouded and obscured to hearing the message of the kingdom of God. While some might consider his assessment rather harsh, I truly believe he is on to something. The standard the world uses is can we make money and how much money can we make. Rarely, do we consider whether it is morally right, and how it might impact the less fortunate and the poor. If we are truly open to the Holy Spirit, the Sunday Scripture readings should challenge us and make us take a hard look at our everyday actions and choices. The Gospel message must permeate every aspect of our lives including what we buy, what we own, and how we use our material wealth.

~ Deacon Steve

K of C Meeting, Monday, September 26th, 7:00 p.m.

Religious Education: Class Wednesday 6:30 -7:30 pm.

Congratulations to Mark Barnes & Susan Nagel who were married here Saturday.



Will you stand for the unborn? National Life Chain Sunday 2022 - On Oct. 2, 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 2pm, 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 St. north for Life Chain 2:15 to 3pm.



Gracious God, thank you for answering our prayers sending us the recent rains to help nourish our land. We pray that the necessary rains will continue to sustain our crops and land.

Position to fill. If you or someone you know plays organ or guitar and would be interested in playing at our Sunday Masses on a rotation basis, please contact Lilly. This would begin in January.



Prayer List: Special Intentions, Helen Werth Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Stan Herrmann, Jerome Herrmann, Carla Meier, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, Chris Brull, Carole Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities. Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

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 at 785-628-1429

Monday 2:00PM Tuesday 7:00AM & 4:00PM
Friday 9:00AM Saturday 10:00AM



First Friday Devotions Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held on every First Friday, unless announced, from noon - 1:00pm. At St. Joseph Church in Hays.

Theotokos Catholic Homeschool Co-op if you have questions or need to RSVP (all events require RSVP) contact Samantha Baker at 785-639-3285 or 13sjbaker@gmail.com. All Thursday's Mass 8 am at IHM, activity to follow.

Sept. 27—6 pm, Mom's night out/meeting @ Gutierrez
Sept. 30—10 am, Heritage Days, Abilene, KS

Stars & Stripes Breakfast, Sunday, Oct 9th from 7:30 am to 12 pm, at the VFW. Proceeds go to the local, Optimist Club of Hays. Tickets available at Golden Belt Bank, Hays and Brungardt, Hower, Ward, Elliot & Pfeifer, in Hays.

24/7 Travel Store is once again having their annual Food Bank fill-up. This year you must go inside the store and tell them that you want to participate, and leave your donation at the register.



Mark your calendars! Bishop Vincke and the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary and ALL OTHER wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 in 2022. 3:00 P.M., October 16th - St. Mary's in Salina 3:00 P.M., October 30th - St. Nick's in Hays. Registration is available online at salinadiocese.org or by calling the Family Life Office at (785) 827-8746.

A Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel the rich man died and was condemned to "a place of torment" because he ignored the poor. He asked Lazarus to go and warn his five brothers to change their ways. Evidently ignoring the poor was a family

MARCH FOR LIFE: The annual pilgrimage to Washington D.C. for the March for Life is set for Friday, January 20th, 2023. The pilgrimage will begin with prayer and blessing of the buses in the chancery parking lot at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, January 18th with a departure for D.C. set for 10:30 A.M. and expected return on Sunday, January 22nd at 4:00 P.M. The 2023 March is MORE IMPORTANT than ever in light of the recent overturning of Roe v. Wade by the U.S. Supreme Court. The goal is for EVERY PARISH in the diocese be represented by at least ONE parishioner. Registration and event details will be available online October 1st!

They often refer to it as the 5th Gospel. Walking in the footsteps of Jesus in the Holy Land open the eyes of the Christian to a new view of the life of Christ. Join Fr. Brian Lagar and Fr. Scott Bailey (from Denver) on an 11-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land. September 4-14, 2023. *Spots are filling up fast!* For more information please contact Fr. Brian Lagar at pastor@sacredheartcolby.com

Support Groups

"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.

"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@cflehope.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.

"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@cflehope.org or call for information 785-259-6859.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
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Sept. 30 Cajetan Cash Sales End

Oct. 4 Pet Blessing

Cajetan Cash is a fundraising raffle that benefits HFE. Cajetan comes from Saint Cajetan, which is the patron saint of good fortune. Tickets are available for purchase thru September 30th. Raffle Prizes are \$1,000- \$2,500 - \$5,000 - \$10,000. The cost is \$10 per ticket. Tickets can be purchased at cajetancash.rallybound.org, or contact any HFE student or email cajetancash@hfehays.org. Drawing will be held LIVE on the HFE Facebook page at 2:45 pm, on October 14th.

You can support HFE by recycling your aluminum cans in our trailer across the street North of the school/church in the small gravel parking lot Try the new BoxTops for Education app on your phone or devices! We can give your pulltabs to HHS for the Ronald McDonald Houses of America! Thanks for your continued support!!!



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal

(785) 625-6577

Sept. 22 Homecoming Bonfire - 7 to 9 pm

Sept.23 Early Release

Homecoming Parade 5:30 pm

Football Game VS Scott City 7:00 pm

Sept 24 Alumni Gathering & Memorial Mass 9-2

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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.