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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, November 13, 2022 ~ Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Nov 13	8:00 am	L/D Edward Ruder family
Wed. Nov 16	7:30 am	+David Hertel
Sun. Nov 20	8:00 am	L/D Elmer & Aletha Hertel fam
Wed. Nov 23	7:30 am	L/D Tony & Wilma Seib family

SERVERS

Sunday, Nov 13	Valerie Dome & Reylyn Leiker
Sunday, Nov 20	Ahnalyn Leiker & Trenton Staley

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Nov 13	Ernie Binder, John Moeder, Dcn Steve
Sunday, Nov 20	Ken Richmeier & Peggy Richmeier

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Nov 13	Lauren Moeder	Herman & Rosie Leiker
Sun. Nov 20	Natalie Oborny	Hertel Family

GREETERS

Sunday, November 13	Josh & Tina Waddell
Sunday, November 20	Randy & Michelle Werth

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, November 13

Blake Leiker, Gary Staab, Sid Steinert, Darold Younker

Sunday, November 20

Ernie Binder, Rexton Leiker, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Tony Staley

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, November 13	Jason & Rose Carter
Sunday, November 20	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Sunday, November 27	Ernie & Lilly Binder
Sunday, December 4	Tony & Patty Rohr

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$2,478.00
Loose	\$157.00
Total	\$2,635.00



REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Malachi 3: 19-20
 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
 Luke 21:5-19

We end where we began! We come full circle in our liturgical year. Last November on the first Sunday of Advent, we heard from Luke Chapter 21 about the end times. Now as we approach the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year, we hear again from Luke Chapter 21. The message is the same. The end will be a time of great persecution and cataclysmic events from earthquakes to famines. It will be a time of great fear and distress, but Jesus says quite simply that perseverance is the key to securing our lives. He assures us that he will be present with us and will guide us through the turmoil. We might even wonder about the state of our world with all the political turmoil, deadly shootings, and natural disasters all leading us to believe the end is near. God's goodness and life will prevail over all the evil and darkness in the world, but we must persevere and work to give hope.

Our first reading from Malachi takes place on the battleground between good and evil. The prophet is trying to awaken the people to their unfaithfulness to the covenant and the need to return to their religious responsibilities. After returning from captivity in Babylon, the people were in turmoil trying to rebuild their temple and recreate the religious setting they enjoined before the exile. They were facing abuses among the clergy, poor ritual worship, and foreign influences in religious practices. In addition, there was a growing disparity between the rich and poor. The people put their hope in the coming Day of the Lord which was to be a time of victory and joy. But Malachi and other prophets like Amos prophesied that the Day of the Lord would be a fiery cosmic upheaval in which the righteous will receive their reward while the evil will perish. The phrase "sun of justice with its healing rays" refers to the sun god represented in Persia and Egypt as a winged solar disk who provided warmth and light. The scripture writers applied this symbolism to the God of Israel who brings life to the good and destruction to the evil. In the midst of darkness and despair, we too place our hope in Jesus' promise that he would bring his kingdom of light and peace to all who are faithful.

In today's Gospel, we read from Luke Chapter 21 apocalyptic literature which deals with the end times or last things. Patricia Datchuck Sanchez, in reflecting on today's Gospel, brings up a very important point about understanding apocalyptic writings. This type of literature is not meant as if the author was peering into a crystal ball predicting the future. Instead, the author is helping his contemporaries understand their present sufferings with the right interpretation. The struggles were like birth pangs before the arrival of the end times of God's kingdom. In fact, scripture scholars believe the war, earthquakes, and famine that Jesus predicts will happen probably took place in the 60s and 70s C.E. even before Luke wrote his Gospel in the 80s. So one might ask, what meaning can such a passage for the present have if these events took place in the past. The answer is that the battle between good and evil is still a present reality. In every age, believers face persecution and the power of evil and feel the overwhelming influence of sin. Yet our hope is Jesus' promise that he would give us what we need and help us face persecution and evils.

Today, I hear so many people say that they cannot tolerate listening to the news because of all the bad things they hear. While the news can be depressing, we cannot put our heads in the sand and pretend that these things aren't happening. Instead, we have to have the right perspective which is that we believe God is in control, and in His time He will bring about His plan. We continue our part by working faithfully to change this world, and make it a better place knowing that all things are in His hands.

~ Deacon Steve

New Knights of Columbus storage at school.

At the October Knights meeting, the K of C decided the best way to keep their items secure was to install locks on their cabinets and freezers at the school. Thank you to the Knights for all the work they do for the parish and their efforts to keep the school building in good shape!

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

 **2023 Mass Intentions** are now being accepted.
Please limit to 3 requests.
Stipends \$10.00 per Mass.
Contact Lilly to schedule ~ 623-8000

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who have an hour. Contact Bob & Carol Feauto at 785-628-1429.

HOURS OPEN: Monday 2PM-3PM
Friday 9AM-10AM
Saturday 10AM-11AM



Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face bringing permanent and positive change to their communities.

 **Remember in Prayer** **Prayer List:** Rick Werth, Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, Helen Werth, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Stan Herrmann, Jerome Herrmann, 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.
Let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

Catholic game night is back!!! Join us on November 19th at Thirsty's front party room. Drink and food menu available. Come early to eat and drink, or come at game time to play or watch. As always, spectators are welcomed and encouraged. If you have not joined us yet, come see what it is all about. Bring your spouse, a friend, or a date. Taking the first 6 teams of up to 4 people on each team. To register a team, please sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/HZcmbHZ> or contact Cody Marintzer at marintzer00@gmail.com Social starts at 6:30. Game is from 7:00-8:00. Once again, there will be great prizes for winners and a ton of fun for everyone!!!

St. Joseph Thanksgiving Bazaar Sunday, November 20th. Dinner tickets available at St. Joseph's Church or call the St. Joseph's Parish Office 625-7356. \$12 Adults, \$6 Children ages 5-12 and those under 5 eat for free!

Thanksgiving Meal. Sponsored by Ellis County Ministerial Alliance will be held at St. Nicholas Church on Thanksgiving Day beginning at 12:00 noon.

Holiday Home Tour ~ The Victoria Community Coalition (VCC) will be hosting a Holiday Home Tour on Sat., Dec.3, from 5:00-9:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 4, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Opening their homes for the tour are Danny and Mary Kay Schippers (Sunday only), Chad and Andrea Schmidtberger, Joe and Brenda Dreiling, Austin and Sheena Gagnon, Shane and Stephanie Broyles, Leroy and LeeAnn Schmidtberger, Sam and Marilyn Braun, and Frank and Brenda Dreiling. Tickets for the event will be \$20 advance and \$25 at the door. Those purchasing an admittance ticket will receive one free raffle ticket. Extra raffle tickets will be available one for \$5 or 5 for \$20.

DIOCESAN NEWS

The Diocese of Salina needs your feedback! You may be receiving an email in the upcoming months from Bishop Vincke asking for your participation in a brief annual survey. The feedback and information obtained from this survey helps the diocese understand what is important to you and for planning for the future. Please take a few moments to complete this important survey. We truly appreciate your participation and feedback!

The diocesan communications efforts are intended to inform and inspire Catholics within the diocese and beyond. We have a beautiful faith, and great things are happening in our diocese and The Register is used to announce the awesome stories that are happening in our diocese, parishes, schools and communities. All these resources are shared with the faithful at no cost to the recipient. Please consider supporting the drive by making a gift online at <https://salinadiocese.org/publications/publications-drive/> or using the envelope found in the Nov. issue of The Register or the Nov. issue of faith magazine and mail to the Catholic Foundation.

On behalf of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop for the Military Services, USA (AMS), thank you to all those who contributed to the National Collection for the AM last week. Thank you for supporting the men and women, and their families, from our own parish and diocese who serve and protect this great nation, and who defend the freedoms we hold dear. Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and chaplaincy.



Divine Mercy Care-a-thon Divine Mercy Radio invites you to tune in every day from 7am to 6pm beginning Tuesday, November 29 through Friday, December 2. You will learn more about your Catholic Faith, and win great prizes throughout the week! They look forward to hearing from you!

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

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.

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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
(785) 625-3131

- Nov. 14-18 Fall Canned Food Drive
- Nov. 14 Home & School Meeting 7:00 pm
- Nov. 23-25 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

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

- Nov. 13 Sports Booster Club Banquet
- Nov. 15 Alumni Board Meeting 5 pm - 6:30 pm

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.

- Nov. 13: Teaching Mass @ St. Joseph 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- Nov. 14: Moms meeting 6:00 pm
- Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Craft 10:00 am

Do you know how essential storytelling is? Stories are one way our beautiful faith can spread across our diocese. We're about to kick off our annual Publications Drive which is a fundraiser that supports the work of our publications and communications office. If you have been impacted by our diocese through the stories you've read, the videos you've watched, the podcasts you've listened to or the social media posts you've engaged with, please consider making a gift online at salinadiocese.org or via the envelope insert found in the Nov. 25 issue of The Register or the November issue of faith magazine. Be sure to mail your donation to Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina (PO Box 1696, Salina, KS 67402-1696)

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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 to be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.

Tony Melendez in Concert



Sunday, November 20, 2022

Immaculate Heart of Mary
Church

3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

6 Recording Albums

Never Be The Same

Ways of The Wise

El Muro se Callo

Originally from Rivas, Nicaragua, born without arms and a clubbed foot due to the drug, Thalidomide. Tony's mother was prescribed this drug for morning sickness by her doctor and had no idea how it would affect her unborn son. At the age of one Tony's family immigrated to the USA so Tony could have corrective surgery on his left foot in order for him to walk.

Tony travels with his brother Jose and together they share with young and old their message of hope, encouragement, and faith. Tony's message and story are presented with music and his personal life stories. As they continue to travel they focus on young people by going into elementary, Jr. high schools, high schools, colleges and universities.

Tony moved from California and now resides in Branson with his wife Lynn and two kids, Marisa and Andres. Despite all the travel over the last 31 years, Tony continues to resist the siren song of stardom, hoping only to develop his musical career and share his God given gifts. "I don't feel like a celebrity," he says with a smile, "I just feel like me!"

