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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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jan 21 8:00 am L/D Paul & Ruby Binder family
 Wed. Jan 24 7:30 am L/D John G. Befort family
 Sun. Jan 28 8:00 am Josh & Tina Waddell
 Wed. Jan 31 7:30 am +Nick & Almeda Stecklein

SERVERS

Sun Jan. 21 Ahnaly Leiker & Makailyn Leiker
 Sun Jan. 28 Alec Gerstner & Reylyn Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun. Jan 21 Ernie B, Nathan L, John M, Amy P.
 Sun. Jan 28 Lauren M, Ken R, Peggy R, Tony S.

LECTORS OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun Jan 21 Tina Waddell John & Natalie Oborny
 Sun Jan 28 Gene Gottschalk John & Amy Moeder

GREETERS

Sun Jan 21 Rich & Sherri Ruder
 Sun Jan 28 Randy & Nicki Sauer

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, January 21

David Leiker, Jeff Richmeier, Ken Richmeier, Tony Rohr

Sunday, January 28

Wilbert Gross, Donovan Richmeier, Caleb Staley,
 Brandon Zimmerman

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, January 21 Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
 Sunday, January 28 Linda Gross
 Sunday, February 4 Tony & Patty Rohr
 Sunday, February 11 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier

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FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER

Today's readings all seem to center on one common theme. The immediate need to follow God and evangelize this world. With this in mind, I would like to focus on the story of Jonah.

The background of the story of Jonah is that the Ninevites and the Israelites were despised enemies. In a purely humanistic sense, we can see why Jonah didn't want to go. He was being asked to preach God's mercy to his enemies. In the book of Jonah (which is only 4 short chapters) we see how deep this hatred was toward the Ninevites.

After Jonah preaches to the Ninevites, they quickly convert from their sinful lives and repent of the evil they had been doing, but here is how he responds to God's mercy toward that sinful city: *1 But this greatly displeased Jonah, and he became angry. 2 He prayed to the LORD, "O LORD, is this not what I said while I was still in my own country? This is why I fled at first toward Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in kindness, repenting of punishment. 3 So now, LORD, please take my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live."* Not only is Jonah not rejoicing in God's Mercy toward them, but he also asks to die rather than live in a world where his enemies are allowed the same Love and Mercy that God has shown him.

With this in mind, there are many things we can take away from this story. 1. Times are never so bad that God's message cannot be received. 2. People who may seem completely lost and on a path pointed toward Hell, may be the perfect people to preach the Gospel to. They may be so lost in their sin that the message of redemption is the light in the darkness they have been waiting for. 3. God is not an angry, vengeful God. He allows us to choose good or evil, and there are consequences for our sin, but He is constantly calling us back to him. 4. Jonah wants the Ninevites to reap God's Justice, but doesn't want them to receive His Mercy. We must be the people set apart that bear wrongs patiently and rejoice in the repentance of sinners. The book of Luke 15:7 says: *"I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance."*

A good exercise for this week would be to read the book of Jonah, followed by 1 John (which is only 5 chapters). Compare the ways we see Jonah reacting to God's Mercy toward the Ninevites, and what the first letter of John tells us. 20 If anyone says, "I love God," but hates his brother, he is a liar; for whoever does not love a brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. 21 This is the commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

It must have been difficult for Zebedee to watch his sons walk away and follow Jesus. It was the end of 'Zebedee and Sons Fishing, Inc.' Our children were never ours. They are only on loan to us. We raise them to let them go.



Women of the Parish: The Christian Mothers *After Christmas Get Together* will be held today at 12:30 in the Parish Hall. Lunch will be provided.

Religious Education: Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Pastoral Council Meeting: Tuesday, January 30th 6:30 pm.

Pastoral Ministry Formation: The Catholic Diocese of Dodge City is offering a class for the Pastoral Ministry Formation for the Spring 2024. For more information, brochures are in the vestibule.

Gorham Daughters of Isabella annual Soup Luncheon. Sunday, January 28 10:30 to 1:00 pm/ Eat in or take out. Homemade Chili, Green Bean Dumpling & Chicken Noodle soups, homemade bread, pies & desserts. Adults \$8.00; 5 and under \$5.00 \$13.00 quart.

FORMED.ORG All parishes in the diocese of Salina will once again receive a one-year subscription to FORMED at no cost to the parish. FORMED will have opportunities for study during Lent and Easter seasons, as well as movies and other options. Go to FORMED.org website”.

JANUARY - How much do you know about human trafficking in your state? This crime operates in every state and could show up in your local community. Education is a key factor in reducing public ignorance. Alliance to End Human Trafficking-Founded and Supported by US Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave.1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114



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.

BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.”- Mark 1:17
Jesus’ call to “follow me” is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are “ready” or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren’t always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel We are looking for adoration substitutes. To sign up or get more info, please feel free to contact Brian & Michelle DeWitt by text or calling 785-625-2481 or emailing dewittfamilyks@gmail.com

OPENINGS: Saturday 7:00PM-8:00PM
Wednesday 12:00AM-1:00AM
Thursday 1:00AM-2:00AM

RENOVATING A NEW HOME FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES IN HAYS

- Donated by a local Hays family
- 1015 Centennial Blvd., Hays, KS
- Opening Winter 2024
- 9,000 square feet plus parking
- Serving over 600 families in Northwest Kansas

SAVE THE DATE: Join Catholic Charities for a special event, "Before the Build: Breakfast and Preview" on January 26th from 9:00 to 10:00am, along with Bishop Vincke and the Hays Chamber staff. You will have an opportunity to explore the new space and view the renderings that showcase our vision for the future of the Hays area! Be part of the journey with our fundraising updates and learn about the impact your support has on the surrounding Hays community.

Holy Family Elementary School Annual Chili Supper and Silent Auction will be Sunday, Jan. 28, from 11am to 2pm at Holy Family Elementary School

MENU: chili, hot chicken sandwiches on homemade bun, relishes, choice of dessert, coffee, and tea.

Meal tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (ages 4-12). Tickets are available in advance at the school office or at the door.

Some raffle items include, Dell Latitude 15.6” Notebook, 2 chances at \$1,000 cash prize, Round of Golf with Carts for 4 at Smokey Hill, Nintendo Switch Lite, 22” Fire Pit Gift Set and Much more!

Silent Auction, games galore for kids of all ages with awesome prizes to win at the Game Room in the Activity Center!

All proceeds from the event will be used to make improvements, purchase equipment, and add resource materials for Holy Family Elementary School. The time to invest in the future of Catholic education for our children is now!

Thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing you on January 28th!

K of C 4th Degree Exemplification

When: Saturday, Feb. 24
Where: St. Dominic's Parish Center, Garden City
Sponsor: Fr. Joseph Bogner Assembly 0297
Time: 12 to 9pm
Eligibility: 3rd Degree member
Deadline to Register: Saturday, Feb. 10
If you are a Third Degree member and would like to join the local Knights of Columbus Bishop Cunningham Assembly 0282, please contact our Faithful Navigator Jerry Wasinger at 785-432-3246 or Faithful Comptroller Bradley Stramel by email brstramel@gmail.com

Please join us for our free panel discussion about the unseen effects of grief and mental health concerns in everyday life.

Wednesday, January 24, 2024
7:00 PM

FHSU Memorial Union Black and Gold Room



Kenneth Windholz
MS, LCP, LMLP, C-DBT
"You are not a drop in the ocean. You are the entire ocean in a drop." - Rumi



Kate McGonigal
Associate Professor, Sociology, FHSU
"And now that you don't have to be perfect, you can be good." - Steinbeck



Myrna Jordan
Social Worker, HaysMed Hospice
"Endings matter, not just for the person, but, perhaps even more, for the ones left behind." - Gawande



Kris Munsch
Keynote Speaker, The Birdhouse Project
"Hustle, the most important verb."

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal
(785) 625-3131

- Jan 25 Jan. Birthday Mass & Lunch - Vision Screening
- Jan 28 Chili Supper & Bazar 11:00 - 2:00 pm
- Jan 28 - Feb 2 Catholic Schools Week
- Jan 29 HFE Red Cross Blood Drive 10:00 - 3:00
- Feb 2 All School Mass with Bishop Vincke
- Feb 8 February Birthday Mass & Lunch



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

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

- Jan 24 3:30 - 6 pm 6th gr New Student Pre-Enroll
- Jan 25 3:30—5:30 Finance Advisory Meeting

TMP-M Pre-Enrollment January 24th 3:30—6:00 pm. In Learning Commons, 2nd Floor. This is for any new student wanting to enroll for 2024-2025. Walk-ins are welcome.

Come and see the TMP-M Pop Singers in SEASONS, Dinner Show February 3rd and **Dessert Show** February 4th! Our show features music from all genres and decades with specific emphasis on the emotions of each season. If you'd like to see some energetic dancing and hear some fabulous singing, tickets are on sale beginning January 15th at tmp-m.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.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY ADULT

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SALINA

**JANUARY 27TH
7:00PM-11:00PM**

WHO?

YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18 +

WHAT?

SOCIAL EVENT TO MEET NEW PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE SALINA DIOCESE. DANCING, GAMES AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED!
CASH BAR/VENMO FOR DRINKS
DANCE ATTIRE IS RECCOMENDED

WHERE?

THE SULLIVAN AT UNITED CAPITAL PLAZA
227 N SANTA FE AVE, SALINA, KS 67401



Rural Life:
Tending the Land, Mind & Spirit



Catholic Rural Life
Centennial Celebration



Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024

KSU Saint Isidore Catholic Student Center
Newman Hall • 711 Denison Ave • Manhattan, KS 66502

Keynote Speaker:



Catherine DiNuzzo, MA

Catherine is a Licensed Professional Counselor in private practice who also operates Sacred Heart Mental Wellness, as well as author of the book "The Catholic Guide Through Anxiety."



This event is **free** to attend! A free will offering will be collected during the event.

- Doors Open at 5:30 PM
- Meal Served at 6:00 PM
- Catholic Rural Life Presentation

Featured Guests:

Bishop Gerald Vincke

Bishop of the Salina Diocese, His Excellency Gerald Vincke is the ninth of ten children born to a family on a dairy farm near Saginaw, Michigan.



Mike Beam

Secretary Kansas Dept. of Agriculture, Mike Beam was appointed by Governor Laura Kelly in January 2019. Beam came to KDA following 38 years of experience in association management for the Kansas Livestock Association.



Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt

Fr. Gale is the Chaplain for St. Isidores as well as priest supervisor of Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Manhattan and Chaplain of Manhattan Catholic Schools.



RSVP by Thursday, Feb 1 to ensure our capacity to seat all guests for dinner.



Please visit salinadiocese.org/office/rural-life for more information or to register or call Sienna Wingerson at (785) 282-8048.

-Event Sponsors-

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