

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



## PASTOR

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## PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

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## FINANCE/PASTORAL COUNCIL

### CHAIRPERSON

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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### GRAND KNIGHT

Kyle Jones 785-656-3007

## 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, August 6, 2023 ~ The Transfiguration of the Lord**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

|             |         |  |
|-------------|---------|--|
| Sun. Aug 6  | 8:00 am | L/D Julie & Mary Jane Koerner family     |
| Wed. Aug 9  | 7:30 am | L/D Les & Linda Gross family             |
| Sun. Aug 13 | 8:00 am | +Keith Fieler                            |
| Tue. Aug 15 | 6:30 pm | L/D Steve & Jeanette Pfannenstiel family |
| Wed. Aug 16 | 7:30 am | +Harlan Boor                             |

**SERVERS**

|                |                                  |
|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Sunday, Aug 6  | Makailyn Leiker & Trenton Staley |
| Sunday, Aug 13 | Alec Gerstner & Rexton Leiker    |

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

|             |                                      |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Sun. Aug 6  | Nathan L, Lauren M, Wendy R, Tony S. |
| Sun. Aug 13 | Jenalyn L, Ken R, Bea S, Tina W.     |

**LECTORS      OFFERTORY GIFTS**

|             |               |                         |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Sun. Aug 6  | Ken Richmeier | Nathan & Jenalyn Leiker |
| Sun. Aug 13 | Ernie Binder  | Deanna Leiker           |

**GREETERS**

|                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| Sunday, Aug 6  | Josh & Tina Waddell     |
| Sunday, Aug 13 | Darold & Evelyn Younker |

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, August 6**

Kyle Jones, Blake Leiker, Mark Leiker, Blake Spencer

**Sunday, August 13**

Wilbert Gross, Larry Koirth, John Oborny, Jeff Richmeier

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

|                   |                       |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Sunday, August 6  | Herman & Rosie Leiker |
| Sunday, August 13 | Ernie & Lilly Binder  |
| Sunday, August 20 | Linda Gross           |
| Sunday, August 27 | Tony & Patty Rohr     |

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

|              |                   |
|--------------|-------------------|
| Envelopes    | \$1,742.00        |
| Loose        | \$38.00           |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$1,780.00</b> |



Do you see the glory of God in your life? Oftentimes this is a real struggle. We can easily become aware of all the problems we face and can focus in on them. As a result, it is often easy for us to miss seeing the glory of God in our lives. So do you see God's glory in your life?

*Lord, may I see Your glory and the glory that You have bestowed upon my own soul. May my eyes forever remain fixed on that grace. May I see You and Your glory especially in difficult times. Jesus, I trust in You.*

**St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners,**

Thank you for your generous participation and support of Catholic Charities' Baby Bottle Campaign. Because of YOU, parents throughout the 31 counties of northern Kansas will have access to quality and affordable pregnancy support and adoption services. These programs are the hallmark of our organization and bring life to their recipients.

One expectant mother who was recently touched by Catholic Charities' Pregnancy Support Program is Casey. Casey had recently escaped an abusive relationship when she found out she was expecting twins. Overwhelmed and lacking the financial resources to care for two children, Casey came to Catholic Charities for support. Our expertly trained staff were able to provide Casey with emotional support, resources for affordable housing, and needed baby items. Casey is now eight months pregnant and has a full-time job. She is striving to become a loving and stable parent to her babies.

Thank you for the tremendous impact you have had on the lives of parents in northern Kansas. Your parish raised over \$90 to support mothers like Casey, who appreciate the abundant blessings that children bring. God's gifts happen through you!

*With gratitude,  
Megan Robl  
Executive Director*

**Feast of the Assumption of Mary.** According to the liturgical calendar this year it is a holy day of obligation. We will have Mass here on Tuesday, August 15th at 6:30 p.m.

**Is God putting into your heart the desire to become a Catholic?** Do you feel the call to join the Catholic Church? This process of formation will begin on Thursday, Sept. 7, at 6:30pm, in the St. Nicholas Parish Activity Center. For more info contact Deacon Steve at [urbs57@gmail.com](mailto:urbs57@gmail.com) or call 785.650.2931. You must register in advance before the Sept. 7th date.

direction. We can cast aside everything that stands in the way of possessing that kingdom. Possessions, power, and prestige won't stand in our way of taking hold of God's reign in our hearts. We will give up everything to have God in our lives, and we will find great joy. Sounds simple enough...but oh so difficult. It will demand from us a daily re-commitment to God's plan to make it happen. So, search your heart, and find out what you want and then go after it with gusto.

~ Deacon Steve

**Due to Bishop Vincke's visit here next week which will include breakfast, we will not have our after Mass social the first Sunday of August.**

**EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND**



**First Friday Devotions:** Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held on Friday, August 4th at St. Joseph's Catholic Church from 12 to 1pm.

**Show your support for the Diocese of Salina seminarians!** This year, there will be three Annual Seminarian Fundraising Dinners – including one in Hays on Aug. 10. The evening begins at 5:15pm and includes a cocktail hour, delicious dinner, and a short program. The ticket price per person is \$60. To register or make a gift to support our seminarians, visit [bit.ly/salinasems](http://bit.ly/salinasems).

**We invite everyone to join us for Runnin' Revs!** The event will take place in Hays at 6pm, on Aug. 11, in the TMP-Marian Al Billinger Field House. Enjoy a relaxed competition between Seminarians, Priests and faithful young men for a night of basketball, prayer and pizza. This is a free event to help support seminarians and promote vocations. Pizza will be available in the TMP-Marian cafeteria following the event. (Free will donations are accepted.) All are encouraged to come and show your support!

**Men's Retreat:** Calling all men of the Salina Diocese. Please put Aug. 12th on your calendars! Please join us in Hays as men from all over the Salina Diocese come together to learn, pray, worship and challenge each other. You do not want to miss out on this event! To register: <https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/mens-conference/>

**The St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council & Bishop Cunningham Assembly** will be having a combined **Family Picnic** on Sunday, August 27th from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the IHM Activity Center. The Knights will be providing the chicken and drinks. We ask that members please bring a side dish or dessert.



**Divine Mercy Radio's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Appreciation Banquet** will take place in two locations: 6pm, Sat., Sept. 9, at The Rose Garden Banquet Hall Hays and 5pm, Sun. Sept. 10, in the Hall of Bishops, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina. Cost is \$55 if purchased before Aug. 20. After Aug. 20, if tickets are still available, the cost is \$60. The cost includes appetizers and adult beverages. guest speakers are the humorous Jack Williams, director of programming on EWTN Radio, and his beautiful wife, Johnnette, who founded Women of Grace Ministries with a television and radio show on EWTN.

To purchase tickets, send your check, along with which banquet you will attend (Hays or Salina). If attending in Salina, please indicate if you wish to have steak or chicken. Banquet Reservations Divine Mercy Radio 108 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. Hays, KS 67601 785.621.4110 or visit [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com). No tickets sold after Sept. 1. Sorry!

Bishop Vincke's **Year of Mercy Visit** here at St. Francis of Assisi will be next Sunday, August 13th. His visit will include celebrating Mass, Anointing and Homebound Visits. We will also host a breakfast. This is our opportunity to show Bishop Vincke the vitality of our parish. **Make plans to attend.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** For planning purposes, if you would like to donate a breakfast item, please contact John Moeder at 623-1338.

**CANDLES:** When the current candles in the basket for take home use are gone they will not longer be available here. Messenger Catholic Store in Hays does carry them and will always have some blessed ones for purchase.



Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, Helen Werth, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Stan 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. *Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.*

**BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL**

*"...then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.'" - Matthew 17:5*

When Peter, James and John heard this they immediately fell prostrate to the ground and they "were very much afraid. "We, too, may respond the same way when we hear God's voice. How many times do you become fearful when invited to participate more fully in the life of the Church? Or, when someone says something negative about the Church, are you afraid to respond? Remember, we too, are beloved sons and daughters of God; Jesus is there to help us, but we need to listen.

**Night of Healing Faith** - Jesus Heals Are any among you sick? The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring a Night of Healing Faith coming up on Friday, August 11th starting at 6:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 625 River St in St. Francis, KS 67756. Father Joseph Asirvatham with Fr. Leo Blasi and other priests in the Diocese will be in attendance. 6:00pm - Exposition and Adoration, Confession, Rosary 7:00pm Reposition and Healing Service Light Refreshments and Conversation to follow For more information call 785-332-2680

**The St. Nicholas of Myra Knights of Columbus** invite you to their Annual Steak Dinner, on Saturday, September 23rd. Social hour at 6pm, dinner at 6:45. Menu: Ribeye Steak (10-12 oz) or Honey Pecan Chicken with baked potato, vegetable, bread, salad and dessert. \$25 per ticket. Take-out orders available. Contact Glenn Gabel at 785-628-2120 or Kyle Normandin at 785-623-0580

**Healing Retreat - For Survivors of Abuse.** September 29th - October 1st. (Begins Friday evening at 5pm and ends Sunday at noon.) Held at Manna House of Prayer Retreat Center, 323 E 5th St, Concordia KS The retreat will include inspiring talks, listening sessions, prayer, Mass, fellowship, spiritual practices, free time and more. Bishop Vincke & Fr. Michael Leiker will join the retreat team. For more info or to register contact wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org or 785-827-8746 ext. 124. Cost is \$25 (scholarships available). **Register before September 1st**

**Diocesan Anniversary Masses 2023** Bishop Vincke & the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary & all other wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 and any anniversaries over 70 years in 2023. Sunday, October 15th at 3PM Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina, Kansas Sunday, October 29th at 3PM St. Nicholas of Myra, Hays, Kansas You may register now to attend by going to the link below or you can call the parish office and we can assist with your registration. No cost to attend. <https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life>

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
(785) 625-3131

- Aug 14 Teacher Meet & Greet
- Aug 15 Holy Day - School Closed
- Aug 16 1st Day of School—Dismiss at 11 (no lunch/bus ASC)
- Aug 17 1st Full Day of School

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 on 19th! Simply bring by a trash bag of them to drop off anytime! We can give your pull-tabs to HHS to support 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

- Aug 7 8:30am - 12-30 HS Band Jump-Start Camp  
6:30 - 8 pm New Parent & Student Info Night
- Aug 8 6:30am - 7:30 am HS Cheer Practice  
8:30am - 12-30 HS Band Jump-Start Camp
- Aug 9 8:30am - 12-30 HS Band Jump-Start Camp
- Aug 10 6:30am - 7:45 am HS Cheer Practice  
8:30am - 12-30 HS Band Jump-Start Camp
- Aug 11 5 pm - 9 pm Runnin Revs Game

**Theotokos Catholic Homeschool Co-Op**

If you have questions or need to rsvp (all events require RSVP) contact Samantha Baker 785.639.3285 or 14sjbaker@gmail.com Find us on Facebook!

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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.*



# Encounter Christ!

**High School Students--**

**You are invited to join with other high school students from all over our Diocese for a night of fellowship, friendship, prayer, Adoration, praise and worship of Christ**



**RENEW EXISTING  
FRIENDSHIP AND  
MAKE SOME NEW  
ONES TOO!**

- **Praise and Worship**
- **Eucharistic Message**
- **Adoration**
- **Confession**
- **Games**

Aug. 11th 8-10pm -After Running Revs  
Thomas More Prep-Marian Chapel-  
Hays Kansas-Check out our website  
for more details  
[www.salinadiocese.org](http://www.salinadiocese.org)

Our Lord in the Blessed  
Sacrament has His hands  
full of graces, and He is  
ready to bestow them on  
anyone who asks for them.  
---St Peter of Alcantara



12TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

# ANSWERING THE CALL

TO HONOR AND DEFEND



**AUGUST 12TH, 2023**  
**8:00AM - 12:30PM**

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

REGISTER ONLINE BY VISITING [SALINADIOCESE.ORG/OFFICE/FAMILY-LIFE/](https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/)

