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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

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

www.tmp-m.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. June 13 8:00 am L/D Matt & Clara Rohr family
 Wed. June 16 7:30 am L/D Eugene & Virjean Reeh family
 Sun. June 20 8:00 am L/D Mark & Dora Leiker family
 Wed. June 23 7:30 am +Henry & Loretta Stecklein

SERVERS

Sunday, June 13 Alec Gerstner & Ahnaly Leiker
 Sunday, June 20 Benjamin Dome & Rafe Richmeier

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, June 13 Jenalyn Leiker & Deacon Steve
 Sunday, June 20 Lilly Binder & Peggy Richmeier

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. June 13 Jeanette Pfannenstiel Tony & Patty Rohr
 Sun. June 20 Tina Waddell Ken & Peggy Richmeier

GREETERS

Sunday, June 13 John & Natalie Oborny
 Sunday, June 20 Amy Pfannenstiel

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, June 13

Jason Carter, Aaron Dome, Wilbert Gross, Darold Younker

Sunday, June 20

Nathan Leiker, John Oborny, Tony Rohr, Sid Steinert

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, June 13 Mark & Dora Leiker
 Sunday, June 20 Ernie & Lilly Binder
 Sunday, June 27 Jason & Rose Carter
 Sunday, July 4 Linda Gross

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$1,790.00
Loose	\$168.00
Candles	\$23.00
Total	\$1,981.00



REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Ezekiel 17: 22-24
 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
 Mark 4:26-34

Today after spending almost a quarter of the entire liturgical year in Lent and Easter and after delving into the mysteries of the Trinity and the Eucharist, we return to the regular Sundays in "Ordinary Time". So, we might ask ourselves how time can be ordinary. Considering that each day is a gift from God and our lives, with its blessings and sufferings, are in God's Providence...how can time be mundane or ordinary. In theological terms, "Ordinary Time" is not ordinary at all, but is the way we count the different Sundays using ordinal numbers. Using ordinal numbers, today we say is the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time. But we must remember that all time is extraordinary or sacred, and God's hand is working mysteriously, almost imperceptibly, to bring about his kingdom. How will we be a part of God's providential plan?

In today's first and third reading, God uses botanical images to show how his kingdom is growing slowly and steadily toward fulfillment. In the first reading from Ezekiel, the prophet uses the image of a small portion of a cedar tree being lopped off and replanted in Jerusalem or on Mount Zion. Ezekiel is pointing to how God will bring his people out of the Babylonian captivity and restore them to their homeland. Secondly, the prophet is foretelling how someday in the future messianic kingdom, all nations will come to Israel and find shelter. The image Ezekiel uses is that "birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it". Israel will one day be the safe place where God will gather all peoples and nations. In today's third reading, we return to the proclamation of the Gospel of Mark. We will read from Mark until the end of the liturgical year except for a short hiatus to hear Chapter 6 of John's Gospel. Today's Gospel selection presents us with two parables about the kingdom. The first, unique to Mark, speaks about the man who plants and harvests but knows not how the seed grows, yet it yields first the blade, then the ear, and finally the grain. The second is about the small insignificant mustard seed that when fully grown is a large shrub that can shelter many birds. Both agricultural images point to how God's kingdom is always growing and reaching its fulfillment even though we might be unaware.

So, what is the message we need to take from these Scripture readings. Often, we become discouraged and don't believe we are progressing in our journey to God. Other times we wonder why God doesn't seem to work faster to bring about his plan. Maybe we've prayed for a particular thing and nothing seems to be

happening. It seems like God isn't listening to our prayers! We need to have hope and patience. God is working and his plan is coming to fruition although it is often a slow imperceptible process. Just like the mustard seed that seems so small eventually in God's time, this insignificant seed will become a great beautiful shrub. So, what does God want from us? He asks that we plant the seed and day-in and day-out do our little part to make sure the seed has the best growing conditions. He asks that we do our little part with consistency, perseverance, and trust in His providence. It's not that he wants us to be a doormat and do nothing. It's that he invites us to trust and put forth all that we have knowing that He is the one that controls everything. He wants us to see with the eyes of faith that nothing is out of his control. Nothing happens by chance! His guiding hand is leading us through all our days and making them not ordinary, but extraordinary.

~ Deacon Steve

Parish Council Election Results. Congratulations to Wendy Richmeier and Tina Waddell who were elected to serve a three-year term on the Parish Council. Special thanks to Jenalyn Leiker, Amy Pfannenstiel and Bea Suppes for their willingness to be on the ballot. Your dedication to our parish is greatly appreciated!

JUNE AFTER MASS SOCIAL: Christian Mothers will be hosting a breakfast following Mass on Father's Day, next Sunday, June 20th in the Parish Hall. Free will donations will be accepted.

St. Joseph Cemetery: Families are welcome to place flowers at the resting place of loved ones. Please note the cemetery staff will be mowing around June 14th.

St. Joseph's Food Pantry Distribution Days: Saturday's June 19th and July 3rd. Donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday at the old Kennedy building. Thank you for your support!

The 2021 10th Annual Diocesan Men's Conference is set for Saturday, Aug. 14, from 8am to 12:30pm, at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in Hays. The theme is "Men of Hope" and falls on the feast day of St. Maximilian Kolbe, a great witness of hope in the darkest of times. Keynote speaker for the event is Chris Padgett, a leading expert on the life of St. Maximilian Kolbe. Registration is available online now.



From the Desk of Fr. Damian:

New Wedding Ritual
The Power of Music

Music is vital to worship. Music helps us give praise to God and to hear God's message to us. This is not done with just any type of music. Secular music is designed to distract and to entertain. It is not designed to pull us out of ourselves or to focus us on Christ.

We use Sacred Music for the Mass and for the Sacrament of Marriage. Sacred Music unites us in love of God. "He who sings prays twice," St. Augustine says. Sacred Music helps us put words around our deepest thoughts and prayers. "For we do not know how we ought to pray, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans too deep for words" as Paul tells us in Romans 8:26. This is true at a Sunday Mass. It is especially true at a Wedding.

To begin a life together is a serious thing. A Bride & Groom know they need the grace of the Sacrament to begin this great endeavor of life. We need the prayers of our family, our friends and our parish so that the foundation of our married life can be strong. Secular songs were not built to hold the sacred work of intercession and petition that needs to be done as a couple unites themselves before the Altar. But Sacred Music was. Sacred Music can lift up the couples hopes and fears to God. It can ask for Our Holy Mother to pray for them as they bring their life together. It can let us know that God blesses this marriage.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel Notice: Please call one of the Archangels listed below to volunteer or answer any questions you might have about the chapel. Bob Feauto (12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.), 628-1429 Lorraine Brungardt (6:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.) 625-3021 Yvonne Demuth (12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) 656-9543 Geri Rupp (6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.) 639-5588
5 HOURS OPEN: Sunday 10:00AM Saturday 9:00AM, 1:00PM & 5:00PM Friday 1:00AM

Sunflower Polka Club two-day polka event. Featuring the most famous Julie Lee Band and Wes Windholz on Saturday, June 12, from 1 to 6pm. On Sunday, June 13, Julie Lee will play from 1 to 4pm, at St. Michael's Parish Hall, LaCrosse.

In need of a birthday card or a sympathy card? Purchase homemade cards by benefiting our local Catholic Charities agency. Purchase anytime in the entrance area at the Adoration Chapel at IHM. Suggested donation is .50 per card.



Matt Shorman, Adam, Special Intentions,
Ramona Weigel, 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.

JUNE – Indifference to Human Trafficking is not an option. Learn the devastating affects within our borders and throughout the world. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainstrafficking.org), 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.

A Family Perspectiveby Bud Ozar

Parenting is a lot like the story of the farmer in the gospel parable today. All growth is the Lord's work. We have no control over the process. In fact, the farmer doesn't even understand it, for the seed grows even when he sleeps. As parents we can influence our children but nothing we do can guarantee results.



Teresa Tomeo, host of Catholic Connection, discusses social issues, media awareness, and interviews community leaders and newsmakers live. Teresa reports on news throughout the

Catholic community and how we can make a difference. Tune in to 105.7 FM, online at dvmercy.com, or on the free phone app at 8 AM on weekdays. To call-in 877-573-7825

HOST FAMILIES FOR TMP-MARIAN INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:

TMP-M will be admitting quite a few international students next school year. If you or your family would like more information on become a host family for TMP-M International Students, please contact Amy Wasinger at sawasinger@gmail.com or 7856230287. THANK YOU!

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
625-3131

June/July: Office open Tues -Thurs 9-12 & 1-4

June 30: Last day to turn in uniform donations

Holy Family Elementary has openings for the upcoming 21-22 school year for students entering grades Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st, and 4th. If you are interested or want to get more information, please contact Toni in the school office at 785-625-3131. We are happy to offer family tours and answer any questions you may have about our school!

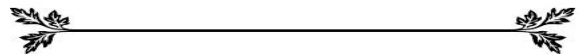


THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal
Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal
625-6577

Check TMP-M web page for upcoming events. We wish everyone a blessed and safe summer!

Monarch Football Madness. Here is your chance to win some spending cash while supporting TMP-Marian student organizations. With your donation of \$20, you are entered to win cash prizes every week of the 2021-22 regular NFL season! All net proceeds from tickets sold directly support student organizations or transportation for the Hays Catholic Schools. Purchase tickets at tmp-m.org or contact the Advancement office, a student, teacher or coach today to secure your ticket. Good luck!



We become what we love.

Who we love shapes what we become.

...St. Clare of Assisi

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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.