

PASTOR

Fr. Damian Richards 785-628-1446 785-621-2699 **Emergency Contact**

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Lilly Binder 785-623-8000

FINANCE/PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON

785-650-3833 Tina Waddell

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR 785-259-2762

Joseph Pfannenstiel

ART & ENVIRONMENT

785-628-8458 Ann Pfannenstiel Jerry & Sylvia Gross 785-342-4183

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

GRAND KNIGHT

785-656-3007 **Kyle Jones**

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

785-625-6577 Thomas More Prep-Marian

www.tmp-m.org

Sun. Aug 20 8:00 am L/D Wilbert & Mary Ann Gross family Wed. Aug 23 7:30 am +Ron Smith Sun. Aug 27 8:00 am +Norbert, Betty, Brandon Leiker Wed. Aug 30 7:30 am +Charles & Kathleen Evans

SERVERS

Sunday, Aug 20 Jacob Leiker & Logan Leiker
Sunday, Aug 27 Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun. Aug 20 Ernie B, Lilly B, Ken R, Michelle W.
Sun. Aug 27 John M, Lauren M, Wendy R, Tina W.

	LECTORS	OFFERTORY GIFTS
Sun. Aug 20	Gene Gottschalk	Larry & Gloria Koirth
Sun. Aug 27	Nathan Leiker	Linda Gross

GREETERS

Sunday, Aug 20 Brandon & Brandi Zimmerman

Sunday, Aug 27 Jessica & Luca Albers

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, August 20

David Leiker, Tony Rohr, Josh Waddell, Randy Werth

Sunday, August 27

Jason Carter, Rexton Leiker, Donovan Richmeier, Darold Younker

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, August 20 Linda Gross
Sunday, August 27 Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, September 3 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier
Sunday, September 10 Aaron & Kolleen Dome

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$1,661.00 Loose \$192.00 **Total \$1,853.00**



FROM THE DESK OF FATHER DAMIAN

Wedding Ritual:

Greeting the Couple at the Door

The 2015 Revised Wedding Ritual prefers that the couple be greeted at the door of the Church instead of the Bride being given away.

The way this looks in the ceremony is that the priest, accompanied by the ministers, goes to the doors of the church where the wedding party is assembled. He greets the party joyously, then the entrance procession begins. The ministers go first. Then the parents & grandparents of the groom and bride. Then the attendants, and finally the couple. After that, the wedding Mass continues as normal.

I have had the privilege of using this entrance at several weddings, and it has never failed to impress me.

By presenting themselves together at the doors of the church, the couple says "We are doing this together." Together we have chosen to forge a future together. For better or for worse, for richer or poorer, we will face this world together and, in our married life, try to build something greater than either of us can do by ourselves.

But we know we can't do this on our own. Left to our own devices, we fail. We need the grace of the Sacrament before we can begin this great endeavor. We need the prayers of our family, our friends and our parish so that the foundation of our married life can be strong.

So, we come to the Church. Not as two individuals hoping that the other person will complete us, but together, asking God to bless us in the great work of marriage, which we are about to begin. *Fr. Damian*

Prayer For The Beginning Of The School Year.

God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonders of our being, for mind, body, and spirit.

Be with our children as they begin a new school year.

Bless them and their teachers and staff.

Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their spirits.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CANDLES: The candles for purchase for home use are no longer available here at church. <u>Messenger Catholic Store in Hays</u> does carry them and will always have some blessed ones for purchase.

Religious Formation: Classes will begin Wednesday, September 13th.

Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

The mother in today's gospel persisted, even when she was ignored and insulted. She would do whatever was necessary to bring relief to her child. Parenting is more than bringing life into the world; it is also about sacrificing daily for your children.

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 or call 785.650.2931. You must register in advance before the Sept. 7th date.

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. 2 HOURS OPEN: Saturday 7:00PM-8:00PM Saturday 10:00PM-11:00PM



Kenny Pfannenstiel, Marilyn Pfannenstiel, Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, Helen Werth, 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. *Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.*

BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable."-Romans 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

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 13th 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. 12th St. Hays, KS 67601 785.621.4110 or visit dymercy.com. No tickets sold after Sept. 1. Sorry!

Stars & Stripes Breakfast at the VFW 22nd & Vine, Hays on Sunday, Sept. 10, from 7:30am - 12:00pm. Tickets - Adults \$10.50/Children \$5.50 All you can eat! Tickets: St. Joseph Church (Kevin Rupp) 785-625-7356, Larry Reichert 785-625-5386, Elmer Dreher 785-625-6353 A portion of the pre-sold tickets go to help the local Sunflower Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share is well under way! This appeal is the primary way we fund the mission of the Diocese of Salina – which is to help other people encounter the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ. If you have already given, thank you for your "yes!" We couldn't do it without you. If you have not yet given, we invite you to consider making a gift by visiting join.salinadiocese.org

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

TODAY only happens once...

make it amazing

August – Are you aware of trafficking in your state? Do you know your state laws that protect victims? Invite a member of your state legislature to talk about laws or a state patrolman to share his/her experiences with trafficking. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

Stay Strong, Stay Healthy

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit?...Therefore honor God with your bodies." – *I Corinthians* 6:19-20

It's time to spruce up the "temple." Get stronger for good health!

Sign up for an eight-week, energizing Stay Strong, Stay Healthy program. This health program is being offered to help you move & get stronger for your health! Adults of all levels are encouraged to Stay Strong, Stay Healthy is an evidence-based program to help individuals learn basic balance and strength-training exercises. Come to the orientation class August 24, 2023 at Cottonwood Extension District, 601 Main Street and check out the program to see if it's for you. ΑII the equipment provided. is Take this opportunity to take better care of your health and join others for this fun program. The group will begin meeting twice weekly on August 29, 2023 at Cottonwood Extension District office, 601 Main Street. Each class is approximately an hour long. For more information Monique Koerner at 785-628-9430 moniquek@ksu.edu. K-State Research & Extension is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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 21 1st Day of Preschool (PK-3 and PK4)

Aug 22 Parent Information Night 7:00 pm Aug 24 Altar Serving Training - 4th graders

1:30 & 3:20 (sign up appt)

Aug 30 Cajetan Cash Fundraiser Kick-off

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 23 School Advisory Council Mtg 4:00 - 5:30 pm

Aug 24 Parent Open House 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Aug 25 JH Activity Fair 8 am - 8:45 am

For more information you can checks the TMP-Marian website under the Google Calendar for the latest updates from the school.

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!

Shells Partially Donated by Northwestern Printers.

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.