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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. Feb 23	8:00 am	L/D Donald & Charlotte Werth family
Wed. Feb 26	7:30 am	+Dale Stecklein
Sun. Mar 2	8:00 am	L/D Martin J. Staab family
Wed. Mar 5	<u>7:00 pm</u>	L/D Benjamin & Diana Dome family

SERVERS

Sun Feb 23	Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier
Sun Mar 2	Jacob Leiker & Logan Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun Feb 23	Wendy R, Glenn S, Rhonda S, Michelle W.
Sun Mar 2	Ken R, Wendy R, Josh W, Tina W.

LECTORS OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun Feb 23	Julie Richmeier	Brian Pfannenstiel
Sun Mar 2	Gene Gottschalk	Amy Pfannenstiel

GREETERS

Sun Feb 23	Jeff & Wendy Richmeier
Sun Mar 2	Ken & Peggy Richmeier

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, February 23

Nathan Leiker, John Moder, Donovan Richmeier, Trenton Staley

Sunday, March 2

Ernie Binder, Francis Leiker, Rich Ruder, Blake Spencer

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure	
Envelopes	\$1,580.00
Loose	\$25.00
Total	\$1,605.00



If God can turn night into day.
He can turn a burden into a blessing.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

In today's Gospel, taken from the sixth chapter of Luke, Jesus offers a very challenging, seemingly impossible approach to daily life. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak do not withhold even your tunic." It makes one want to say, "Seriously, Lord?" And He doesn't stop there. Jesus adds, "Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back."

It seems so unfair! That is, unless we look at this way of life from a stewardship point of view. Then, not only does it seem doable (though challenging), but it also actually makes perfect sense. A steward understands clearly that all he has and all that he is — his very life — is a gift from God given to him from an unfathomable abundance of love. This changes everything! This means "my" cloak, "my" tunic, "my" money, and time — all of it ultimately belongs to God. He has entrusted these things to each of us in love to use for His purposes and His glory.

Does this mean we are to be passive "doormats" to anyone who wants to take advantage of us? Certainly not. Jesus explains this in the next verse of this passage when He says, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." There is nothing wrong with loving oneself since God loves us and has made us in His own image and likeness. Jesus is simply asking that we also approach others, and the sharing of our gifts, with this same attitude. He is giving us a definition here of real love, a steward's love!

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Coffee, Rolls & Conversations following Mass next Sunday hosted by the Christian Mothers.

Stewardship Renewal Forms All parishioners are asked to complete and return as soon as possible. This information is helpful to plan ministries at Mass as well as keep our parish records up to date. To date 23 forms have been returned which is 34%. Thank you to those who have already returned their forms.

What gifts of time, talent and treasure will you share?

Mark Your Calendar: Munjor K of C Fish Fry will be on Friday, April 11th.

*Every person you see is someone Jesus thought enough to die for.
Remember that in how you treat others.*



Handyman Help Wanted: Need some window blinds installed in the Rectory and pew repairs done. If you would like to donate your gifts of labor to do these projects, please let Lilly know. Thank you!

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2025 has officially begun! We are grateful for the support shown by our parishioners in the past for the annual appeal and are excited to see how we can grow that even more in 2025!

Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

In studying the effects of religion upon family relationships, researchers inform us hostility and prayer can't coexist. You cannot be hostile toward someone for whom you are praying. Today's gospel encourages us: "Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who treat you badly."


"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back..." - LUKE 6:35

Easier said than done, right? But, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us. Mercy and compassion will keep us on the path to holiness.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel openings:

- Sunday @ 12pm Noon OPEN
 - Monday @ 7pm (would like second adorer)
 - Thursday @ 5pm (would like second adorer)
 - Friday @ 2pm (would like second adorer)
 - Saturday @ 1pm (would like second adorer)
 - Saturday @ 3pm OPEN Saturday @ 8pm OPEN
- Contact Geri Rupp 785-639-5588

*Man can create a million different laws. But until we follow the
TEN God gave us, nothing will change.*

 Amber Lacewell, Mike Suppes, 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.

Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

The Sunflower Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia will have a Fasenacht meeting with a potluck and a dance on Sunday March 2. Potluck begins at 12:30pm, Chapter meeting at 1:30pm, with dance to follow with Karl Meis on the accordion. Members and guests are invited. Just bring a crockpot of your favorite food to share. We will be meeting at the Kennedy cafeteria.

St. Nicholas K of C Fish Fry Friday March 7, from 4:30 to 6:30pm, in the Parish Hall. Menu: Fried Fish, Chips, Mac & Cheese, and Cole Slaw. Free will offering.

St. Nicholas Parish Mission
2901 E 13th

Session I: What Love Demands
March 9th, 7pm-8pm

Session II: The End of Suffering
March 10th, 7pm-8pm

Session III: Trust Beyond the Horizon
March 11th, 7pm-8pm

Joel Stepanek
Presents:
"Trust and Freedom!"

Small reception and a chance to meet Joel following each talk



Joel holds a Master of Arts degree in religious education with an emphasis in youth and young adult ministry from Fordham University in New York City and a Master of Science degree in Organizational Leadership from Colorado State University-Global. He uses this unique combination to help parishes develop organizational mission, evaluate and define their parish culture, and implement a strategic vision. He has helped parishes and schools across the United States define their values, strengthen their culture, and become more impactful in their ministry.

**Hospice Volunteer Training Wednesday, April 2, 2025
8am to 4:30pm HaysMed St. Agnes Room 1
2220 Canterbury, Hays, KS 67601**

Registration is due by Friday, March 7, 2025
Learn about the history and philosophy of Hospice, advance directives, care of the dying person, spirituality and the role of the volunteer. Contact Hospice of Hays Medical Center at 785-623-6200 or 1-800-248-0073 for further information. Hospice serves Ellis, Rush, Russell, and Rooks Counties.

NEIGHBORS NEAR & NEIGHBORS FAR:

Black & Indian Mission

Your financial support of the Black and Indian Mission Office enables us to help form children in the faith, educate young people, and build hope – a hope often so hard to find in the areas our missionaries serve.

To Give:
Anytime during the month of February, place an envelope in your Parish Collection labeled "Black and Indian Mission"



TOGETHER, LET US BE DISCIPLES OF JESUS ON MISSION!

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal
(785) 625-3131

- Feb 24 Spring Picture Day - Free Dress Day (must follow school dress code.)
- Feb 25 New Parent Open House 5 - 6 pm come & go
- Feb 27 February Birthday Mass & Lunch

MEET THE MAN WHO MAKES TRUST

His plan!




FATHER JIM SICHKO
"60 Minutes for Jesus"

General Themes are Kindness, Trust, and Leadership. Fr. Jim is a priest of the Diocese of Lexington, storyteller, Papal Missionary of Mercy.

Each night of the mission is a stand-alone talk. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll sing, you'll be inspired!

2025 MISSION
Join us for an enthusiastic renewal of faith!
St. Mary Queen of Angels Catholic Church
Russell, KS

Saturday Mass, Feb 22, 5:30 pm
Sunday Mass, Feb 23, 10:00 am
Sunday evening, Feb 23, 7:00 pm
Monday evening, Feb 24, 7:00 pm
Tuesday evening, Feb 25, 7:00 pm

(No outside food or drink allowed)

HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

New Parent Open House

Tuesday, February 25
5:00-6:00 p.m. come & go

- Get a tour of the school
- Meet the Preschool & Kindergarten teachers
- See the classrooms
- Pick up new student paperwork
- Learn more about what we have to offer!

Please enter through our North school doors!
1800 Milner Street
785-625-3131



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Melissa Schoepf, Jr. High Assistant Principal
(785) 625-6577

- Feb 28 JH Stucco Red Carpet Night 7 - 9 pm

*Life without Jesus is like an unsharpened pencil...
it has no point.*

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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.