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



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Kevin Stramel 785-623-7101

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

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

www.tmp-m.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Mar 24	8:00 am	L/D Marvin & Mary Jo Braun family
Wed. Mar 27	7:30 am	+Ronald Brenner
Holy Thurs.	5:30 pm	People of the Parish
Sun. Mar 31	8:00 am	L/D Ben Brenner family
Wed. April 3	7:30 am	L/D Mark & Dora Leiker family

SERVERS

Sun March 24	Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier
Holy Thursday	Makailyn Leiker & Rexton Leiker
Good Friday	Alec Gerstner & Trenton Staley
Sun March 31	Jacob Leiker & Logan Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun March 24	Ernie B, Jenalyn L, Nathan L, John M.
Holy Thursday	Amy P, Glenn S, Rhonda S, Michelle W.
Good Friday	Lilly Binder & Tony Staley
Sun March 31	Ken R, Peggy R, Josh W, Tina W.

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun Mar 24	Lilly B. & Gene G.	Jerry & Sylvia Gross
Holy Thur.	Nathan Leiker	Jason & Kacy Gerstner
Good Fri.	John & Lauren M.	
Sun Mar 31	Natalie Oborny	Aaron & Kolleen Dome

GREETERS

Sun March 24	Sid & Joanne Steinert
Holy Thursday	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Good Friday	Volunteers
Sun March 31	K of C Members

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, March 24

Jason Carter, Jerry Gross, Larry Koirth, Brian Pfannenstiel

Holy Thursday (Rice Bowls) Volunteers

Good Friday (Holy Land) Volunteers

Sunday, March 31

Toney Staley, Sid Steinert, Neal Younger, Darold Younker

FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER

The Humble Submission of Christ.

I am a superhero fan. One of my favorites has always been the Incredible Hulk. I know some people would say he has anger issues, but I have always admired Bruce Banner's struggling with the beast inside. I also always loved how when things got really bad, you could count on the big green guy to come and set things right. You knew when the Hulk showed up, there may be some carnage, but in the end his brute strength would win the day.

I bring this up because if I lived during the time of Christ, I (probably like many others) would have wanted the conquering king Jesus, not the submitting to death Jesus. I would have wanted a good old fashioned Roman beat down. I can imagine myself as Jesus (but not too long, because that is blasphemy) saying "That is enough! Time to show them my power.

In the face of evil, there is a great desire for justice that drives us to sometimes want to punch our way through things. If unchanneled, or channeled improperly, it can drive us astray. Don't get me wrong, there is a time when force may be necessary, but there is also a time when humble submission will call for us to turn the other cheek.

This is where we look to the example of Christ. Had Christ come and acted like the Incredible Hulk, things would not be the way they are. Christ came to destroy sin and death, not to punch his way to being just another powerful earthly king. He came to show us the way to the Father, not to put on a show of physical strength. And this is where the real crux of the matter is. What Christ did on the cross is way more manly than what any conquering king has ever done. What he achieved in those moments has affected humanity in a way that no military commander ever will. His submission, not his physical might, won the ultimate battle.

In the end, I struggle with stories like the mother and her 7 sons in the book of Maccabees who don't fight, but accept their torture. I struggle with the stories of so many Saints who showed love to their captors and went to their death without a fight. I struggle because I want the Saints to fight back. I want them to conquer, or die fighting to show the bad guys what they are really made of. Yet, when we think about it, that is exactly what they did. People like St. Maximilian Kolbe and Fr. Emil Kapaun fought without ever throwing a punch. They fought by submission and gained the ultimate prize - their salvation, and through their example, the salvation of so many others.

When times of trial come, may God give us the strength to fight humbly with Him at our side. And may our example be one of those lights in the darkness.

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, March 24	Darold & Evelyn Younker
Sunday, March 31	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Sunday, April 7	Jason & Rose Carter
Sunday, April 14	Linda Gross

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$2,165.00
Loose	\$66.00
Total	\$2,231.00



Confessions: Wednesday 6:30 p.m. This will be the last opportunity to go to Confession here at St. Francis before Easter Sunday.

Religious Education: Wednesday 6:30 pm

Holy Week and Easter Services



Come Worship With Us!

Holy Thursday Mass 5:30 pm
Exposition following

Good Friday - Noon Service

Easter Sunday Mass 8:00 am

Holy Thursday: Rice Bowl Collection

Good Friday: Holy Land Collection
Day of Fast & Abstinence

Easter Sunday: Blessing of food, place items on Mary's Altar

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 38% have been returned. Thank you if you have already returned your form. *What gifts of time, talent and treasure will you share?*

BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL

Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'" – MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.

The Sunflower Polka Club is hosting two days of dancing and fun at the Rose Garden Banquet Hall, 2350 E. 8th St., Hays, KS, on Sat. April 20, from 1 to 7pm, featuring Julie Lee & Wes Windholz, and on Sun., April 21, Free Polka Mass at 11:15am, dancing begins at 1 to 4pm with Julie Lee. Admission on Sat. \$15.00 and Sun. \$10.00, both day \$20.00. Food available. Put on your dancing shoes and join us. Everyone welcome!!!

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at 3pm, Sunday, April 7, at St. Joseph Church in Hays. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers and meditation. Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930s. When Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina April 30, 2000, he declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church. **Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the church. CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BEGINNING AT 2pm.** This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio.

The D of I Stars and Stripes Breakfast on Sunday, April 14, at the VFW from 7:30am to Noon. All tickets sold in advance will benefit the Daughters of Isabella Circle #254. Tickets purchased at the door do not benefit the organization. The costs are: Adults - \$11.50, children ages 5 to 12 - \$6.50, children under 5 are free. Please contact Patty Wolf at 785-639-1835, Janet Koerner at 785-623-3407 or any of the members.

Creating Your Catholic Legacy: A Guide to Estate Planning for All Ages - Join the Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina for a **free** seminar on Catholic estate planning and learn more about:

- ◇ Why you should have a plan in place – regardless of your age
- ◇ What is included in having a plan
- ◇ How to ensure your final wishes are carried out
- ◇ Ensure your Catholic legacy with a gift to your parish, Catholic school or other Catholic ministries
- ◇ And much more!

Wed., April 10th, 6:30pm TMP Marian – Learning Commons

Sun., April 14th – 2pm St. Joseph – Parish Conference Rm

Parish Job Opportunity – St. Joseph's, Hays

St. Joseph Parish is looking for a full-time Maintenance Supervisor. The person in this position manages operations and repair for the rectory, church campus, buildings, and cemeteries. The Supervisor oversees two team members. Normal hours for this position are 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, with occasional night and weekend hours required. Applicants will be subject to a background check.

To request a full job description or to learn more about its accompanying salary and benefits, contact Ann Pfeifer, Parish Business Administrator, at 785-625-7356. You can email a resume to Ann directly at stjoffice@stjoehays.com or drop off a resume at 215 W. 13th Street, Hays. Priority deadline: Friday, March 15th. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Holy Thursday, March 28

Antonino - 7:00pm
Catharine - 7:00pm
Comeau Campus Center - 5:45pm
IHM - 7:00pm Bilingual, **No** 5:00pm Confessions
Munjor - 5:30pm
St. Joseph - 7:00pm
St. Nicholas - 7:30pm

Good Friday, March 29

Catharine - 2:30pm
Comeau Catholic Campus Center - 12:30pm
IHM - 3:00pm English, 6:30pm Spanish
Munjor - Noon
Schoenchen - 1:00pm
St. Joseph - Stations 12:05 p.m., Good Fri Service 3:00 p.m.
St. Nicholas - 5:30pm


Holy Saturday, March 30

Comeau Campus Center - 9:00pm
IHM - 8:30pm Bilingual, **No 4pm Confession or 5pm Mass**
St. Joseph - Mass 8:30pm, **No 4:30pm Confessions or 6:00pm Mass**

St. Nicholas - 8:00pm

Easter Sunday, March 31

Antonino - 11:00am
Catharine - 9:00am
Comeau Campus Center - 9:00am
IHM - 8am, 10am, 12pm (Spanish), No 5pm confessions/6pm Mass
Munjor - 8:00am
Schoenchen - 9:00am
St. Joseph - 7:30am, 10:30am, **No Confessions before Mass**
St. Nicholas - 9:30am, & 11:00am

 Larry Roda, Kenny Pfannenstiel, 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.

Special Thanks from a former prayer list member for all the prayers.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal
(785) 625-3131

- Mar 25 4th Gr Field Trip to Cosmosphere Home & School Mtg 7:00 pm in L.T
- Mar 28- Apr 1 NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
- Apr 2 Easter Egg Hunts & Fun K - 1st Grades



THOMAS MORE PREP-MARIAN

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

- March 23 Spring Play "The Merchant of Venice" 2pm
- March 25 KSU Rep in Learning Commons 9:45 am
- March 27 JH - Opole JH Exchange Live Classroom Call
- Mar 28- Apr 1 NO SCHOOL - Easter Break

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

2024 State of Our Catholic Schools

The Hays Catholic Schools' annual State of Our Catholic School event has transitioned to virtual. We would love to have our parishioners learn more about their parishes' investment in our Catholic schools.

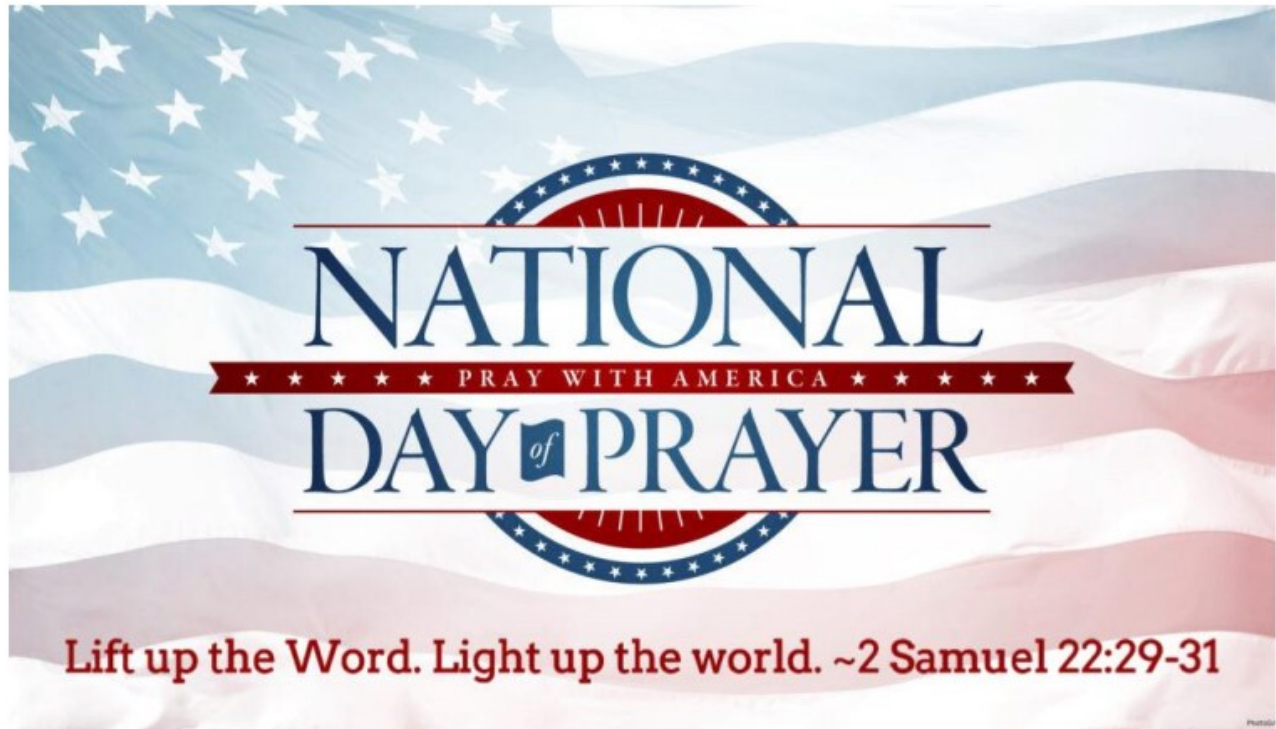
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Mission Statement:

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.



Date: Thursday May 2, 2024

Time: 12:00-1:00pm

Place: VFW Ballroom

2106 Vine St.

*Let's come together as a
nation to pray for our nation!*
