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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

Sunday, June 4, 2023 ~ Most Holy Trinity Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. June 4	8:00 am	+Joseph & Clara Unrein
Wed. June 7	7:30 am	+Mary Lou Pfannenstiel
Sun. June 11	8:00 am	+Farron Leiker
Wed. June 14	7:30 am	L/D Les & Linda Gross family

SERVERS

Sunday, June 4	Alec Gerstner & Haley Gerstner
Sunday, June 11	Jacob Leiker & Rexton Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun. June 4	Lilly B, Nathan L, Lauren M, Amy P.
Sun. June 11	Wendy R, Glenn S, Rhonda S, Dcn Steve

LECTORS	OFFERTORY GIFTS
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Sun. June 4	Ken Richmeier	Kenny & Ann Pfannenstiel
Sun. June 11	Tina Waddell	Joe & Mindy Pfannenstiel

GREETERS

Sunday, June 4	Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, June 11	Rich & Sherri Ruder

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, June 4

Aaron Dome, Jerry Gross, Mark Leiker, Gary Staab

Sunday, June 11

Blake Leiker, John Oborny, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Neal Younger

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, June 4	Linda Gross
Sunday, June 11	Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, June 18	Jeff & Wendy Richmeier
Sunday, June 25	Aaron & Kolleen Dome

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$1,235.00
Loose	\$117.00
Total	\$1,352.00



REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9
2 Corinthians 13: 11-13
John 3: 16-18

Today we celebrate the most central dogma of our faith... the Trinity. Yet the doctrine of the Trinity was not formulated until the fourth and fifth centuries during the great church councils like Nicaea and Constantinople. In fact, the doctrine of the Church is never laid out in Scriptures, but the seeds are found in several New Testament texts. However, today's readings give us the most important clue into understanding who the Trinity is and who our God is. The first reading from Exodus describes our God as the Lord, who is merciful and gracious. The second reading from the Corinthians says our God is the God of love. And the Gospel of John describes our God as the one who has loved us and sent his only Son. Love is the perfect description of our Trinitarian God. Love is how God reveals himself to us through his Son Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Love is our mission as Christians. This triune community of self-giving love is an example for how we are to live as Christians. As we seek to understand the Trinity, the best way to achieve that goal is to love as the Body of Christ, the Church. For in the Church, we live out that Trinitarian model.

Our first reading from Exodus does not speak of the Trinity at all. In fact, the Trinity is not present in the Old Testament. Yet some scholars believe there is a "triadic" character in the way God reveals himself to human persons. There is always revelation from God and response from human persons. Our ability to receive is also from God. This "triadic" quality is therefore giver, receiver, and the outcome between the two. In today's reading, God reveals himself to Moses in the cloud. God tenderly watches over his servant Moses by placing him in the cleft of rock to shield him from directly looking upon the Almighty. God reveals himself to Moses as the God who forgives the Israelites their transgressions, and is a God of great compassion and kindness.

In our second reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians, Paul uses a triadic benediction at the end of his letter to the people of Corinth. Normally, Paul ends his letters with a christological greeting. But in this one to the Corinthians, he mentions the triad of the love of God, the Father; the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ; and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. What is interesting about this reading is the use of the holy kiss or the early beginnings of our present-day sign of peace. This kiss of peace is to symbolize the need to repair relationships amongst Christians who gather to celebrate the Eucharist. Without mutual forgiveness and encouragement, there can be no living out of Trinitarian love.

In today's Gospel, we have Jesus speaking to Nicodemus about being reborn through baptism. After Jesus describes how we must be reborn through water and the Spirit, he talks about the reason he came into the world. His mission is to bring about eternal life in us now, in this present world. God's sole purpose in sending Jesus was because He loved us and wanted the best for us. Love is who Jesus is and why he came into the world.

So, if we are to live out our faith in the Trinity, we must most of all practice love for those in the Church and the entire

world. The doctrine of the Trinity must not be some ethereal concept in our mind, but a reality that is part and particle of our daily lives. To love and serve one another in the community of the Church and the world is our lifelong mission. Some days we find it rather easy to live in love, and other days it is a real strain to be loving. The way the world will know that our Trinitarian God exists and is real is when we love from our hearts and through our daily actions.

~ Deacon Steve

Pastoral Council Election will take place at Mass this morning. All registered parishioners, 18 years and older, are eligible to vote.

The Munjor Knights of Columbus held elections at their recent meeting. Grand Knight - Kevin Stramel;
Deputy Grand Knight - Donovan Richmeier;
Financial Secretary - Jeff Richmeier

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 Feauter at 785-628-1429.

5 HOURS OPEN: Sunday 12:00PM-1:00PM
Sunday 5:00PM-6:00PM
Tuesday 12:00AM-1:00AM
Thursday 4:00PM-5:00PM
Saturday 10:00PM-11:00PM



Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

As the Father “sent his son into the world” so parents send their children into the world “so that the world might be saved.” This is the missionary role of the Christian family. Your family is a school where your children develop convictions which enable them to make a difference in the world.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son...”JOHN 3:16

Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love and forgiveness? Are you generous with your time, skills, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you “fit it in” when it’s convenient for you? God desires a personal relationship with us so much that He gave us His Son, unconditionally! Pray for a grateful and generous heart.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

Corpus Christi Procession



Heartland Parishes Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession

St. Nicholas of Myra Parish is host of this year’s Annual Heartland Parishes Corpus Christi Procession on **Saturday, June 10,** at 6pm. The vehicle procession will start at St. Nicholas Church and proceed to St. Joseph Church, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and end at St. Nicholas Church. A bus will be provided for participants who don’t want to drive. You are welcome to drive your vehicle in the procession. Daughters of Isabella, Knights of Columbus and all the faithful are invited to join us with Our Lord in the most holy Blessed Sacrament.

St. Nicholas of Myra Blood Drive Monday, June 5, from noon to 6pm, at St. Nicholas Parish Hall. Please contact the Parish Office at 785-628-1446, to make an appointment.

Change of Saturday Mass Time

>>> Beginning July 1st <<<

- Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish – 4pm
- Confessions – 3:pm
- St. Nicholas of Myra Parish – 5pm
- Confessions – 4pm
- St. Joseph’s Parish – 6pm

Reuse & Recycle for Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities uses the white, plastic Dillons Pickup bags for their outreach services. They are useful in preparing the food and personal hygiene bags that are distributed to families. If you would like to donate your bags for this service, please call Joan Dunn at 785-259-4516.

Talitha Kum. (Little girl, I say to you, rise up) is a global network of Catholic Sisters who stand with victims and survivors of trafficking in persons; who work to promote a just world in which every human being can live in dignity and fullness of life. Join us. US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.



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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
(785) 625-3131



June & July Office Open Tues - Thurs 9-12 & 1 - 4
July 3 - 7 School Closed

Holy Family Elementary has openings!

For all grade levels!

Including part-time & full-time spots for Preschool (3-yr-old)
Including part-time & full-time spots for Preschool (4-yr-old)

Call the office at 785-625-3131 or visit our website www.hfehays.org to sign up your child on the "Prospective Family" tab!

23rd Annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference

Join Dr. Abigale Favole, Fr. Dennis McManus, and Katie Prejean at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 4th through 6th, while they talk about beautiful Mary our Mother and our Marian roots and traditions! Save up to \$30.00 with the early Bird registration by July 29th. Register online at www.catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to info@catholicfamilyconference.org

Registration is now open for the Bus Tour of Tour die Kapellen.

Limited number of seats are available. A deluxe Village Tours Bus will transport you to Catherine Church, The Basilica of St. Fidelis in Victoria, Holy Cross Church in Pfeifer, and St. Francis Church in Munjor. At each of these stops, locals will offer refreshments and snacks. Members of Hays Symphony will provide music at each church. On the bus, local guide, Jerry Braun, will provide a Volga-German history of each of these beautiful churches. At the end of the tour, participants are treated to a German meal, beverages and a polka band in Municipal Park. This tour is July 8, 2023. It is a benefit for the area's limestone churches and the Hays Symphony. The cost is \$75 per person. For more information and registration, visit <https://tourdiekapellen.com/>.

PRAYER FOR MOISTURE: O God, our Creator, you are the source of all life. We pray to you who calms the raging waters and commands the wind, to provide us sufficient rain to quench our parched land. We pray for moisture that will sustain our crops and land. Help us always be good stewards of your creation and to care for the many resources of this earth. We ask for these blessings through the intercession of Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth. Amen

St. Isidore, Patron of Farmers and Farm Life—Pray for Us.

Are you traveling this summer — on vacation, spending time at sporting events out of town, enjoying trips to the lake? You can always find a Mass time and location near you. Call or visit... 1-800-Mass-Times (1-800-MASS-TIMES) or <https://catholicmasstime.org/>



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal

(785) 625-6577

June & July Office open Tuesday thru Thursday 9:00—noon and 1:00—4:00

Project Coordinator Position Open Thomas More Prep-Marian Jr/Sr High School is seeking someone to fulfill the position of Project Coordinator in the Advancement/Alumni Department. Please contact Mason Ruder for more details at 785-625-5427 or by using this link for Hays Works: <https://workhays.com/jobs/4a6096f7-ce9b-4673-9989->

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.



NOVENA TO ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER FOR RAIN

How to Pray the Novena

Begin with the Sign of the Cross. Read the daily scripture verse (and spend a few moments meditating on it). Pray the daily novena prayer followed by the prayer in honor of St. Isidore and the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be **three times** for the intention of the Holy Father. Conclude with the Prayer for Rain and the Sign of the Cross.

Prayer in Honor of St. Isidore

O God, who taught Adam the simple art of tilling the soil, and who through Jesus Christ, the true vine, revealed Yourself the husbandman of our souls, deign, we pray, through the merits of Blessed Isidore, to instill into our hearts a horror of sin and a love of prayer, so that, working the soil in the sweat of our brow, we may enjoy eternal happiness in heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Rain

O God, in Whom we live and move, and have our being, grant us rain, in due abundance, that, being sufficiently helped with temporal, we may the more confidently seek after eternal gifts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST DAY: PARTNERSHIP WITH GOD (Genesis 1:25 and 2:15)

Prayer: Grant, we beseech You, merciful Lord, through the intercession of Blessed Isidore, farmer and confessor, not to let us be vain with the wisdom of the world, but by his merits and example, let us in all humility always do what is pleasing to You. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SECOND DAY: FAMILY LIFE IN CHRIST (Psalm 26:4-5)

Prayer: We offer the sacrifice of praise, O Lord, and humbly pray that through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, Mother of God, and of St. Joseph, You may establish our families in peace and grace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THIRD DAY: *LOVE OF NEIGHBOR* (Romans 12:9-12)

Prayer: O God, You who make all things work together unto good for those who love You, give to our hearts an abiding love for You: so that the desires we conceive by Your inspiration may ever remain unchanged in spite of every temptation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOURTH DAY: *DIGNITY OF WORK* (2 Thessalonians 3:8-12)

Prayer: O Lord, let us follow the blessed farmer Isidore's example of patience and humility, and walk so faithfully in his footsteps that by his intercession in the evening of life, we can offer You a rich harvest of merits and good works. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIFTH DAY: *WALKING IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD* (1 Timothy 4:15-16)

Prayer: Breathe into our hearts, we beseech You, O Lord, a desire for heavenly glory, and grant that we may pass, bearing in our hands the sheaves of justice, to where the Blessed Isidore is resplendent with You in glory. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SIXTH DAY: *STEWARDSHIP OF THE SOIL* (James 5:7-10)

Prayer: Pour down Your blessing, we beseech You, O Lord, upon Your people, and upon all the fruits of the earth, so that when collected they may be mercifully distributed to the honor and glory of Your holy name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SEVENTH DAY: *RURAL WORKS OF MERCY* (Matthew 6:19-20)

Prayer: May the grace of the Holy Spirit, we beseech You, O Lord, enlighten our hearts, and refresh them abundantly with the sweetness of perfect charity. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

EIGHTH DAY: *TRUST IN PRAYER* (Philippians 4:4-7)

Prayer: O Lord Jesus Christ, Who has said: Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you; grant, we beseech You, to us Your supplicants, the gift of Your most divine love, so that we may love You with our whole heart and in all our words and works, and never cease praising You. Who live and reign world without end. Amen.

NINTH DAY: *SACRIFICE OF PRAISE* (Hebrews 10:12-14)

Prayer: Protect us, O Lord, who offer holocausts to You, and sear our hearts with the flame of Your divine charity, so that they may be ever more fervently prepared for sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Isidore, Pray for us!