

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

Jane Younger 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 625-3131

[www/hfehays.org](http://www/hfehays.org)

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

[www.tmp-m.org](http://www.tmp-m.org)



**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. Feb 6 8:00 am +Elmer Hertel  
 Wed. Feb 9 7:30 am L/D Norbert & Betty Leiker family  
 Sun. Feb 13 8:00 am L/D Mike & Celeste Stecklein family  
 Wed. Feb 16 7:30 am L/D Gilbert & Gloria Leiker family

**SERVERS**

Sunday, Feb 6 Valerie Dome & Jacob Leiker  
 Sunday, Feb 13 Alec Gerstner & Rexton Leiker

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, Feb 6 Rhonda Stramel & Michelle Werth  
 Sunday, Feb 13 Nathan Leiker & Wendy Richmeier

**LECTORS**

Sun. Feb 6 Tina Waddell  
 Sun. Feb 13 Lilly Binder

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Hertel Family  
 Ken & Peggy Richmeier

**GREETERS**

Sunday, Feb 6 Terry & Cathy Pfeifer  
 Sunday, Feb 13 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, February 6**

Jason Carter, Aaron Dome, Jerry Gross, Rich Ruder

**Sunday, February 13**

Ken Richmeier, Sid Steinert, Glenn Stramel, Brandon Zimmerman

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, Feb 6 Glenn & Rhonda Stramel  
 Sunday, Feb 13 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier  
 Sunday, Feb 20 Mark & Dora Leiker  
 Sunday, Feb 27 Jason & Rose Carter

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes \$2,280.00  
 Loose \$229.00  
 Candles \$43.00  
**Total \$2,552.00**



**REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN**

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8  
 1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
 Luke 5: 1-11

In the song entitled "Summons" found in our missalette, we sing this opening line, "Will you come and follow me, if I but call your name". Jesus calls or summons each of us in a personal, intimate way. It is a call unique to you and no one else. It is a call that brings a mission and also a realization of our sinfulness. In today's three readings, Isaiah, Paul, and the apostles receive a call. All of them come to realize their unworthiness. Yet God purges them all of their sin, and then sends them out to be "fishers of men". Let us learn from this pattern found in today's readings, that God indeed is summoning us to spread the Gospel in a way that is totally unique. We realize how inadequate we are in the face of such a sacred task. Yet God purifies us and empowers us to go out and fulfill his mission. Let us heed Jesus' words, "Do not be afraid".

In today's first reading, Isaiah receives his call from God in a profound manner. While worshiping in the temple, Isaiah receives a mysterious vision. This vision is of a heavenly temple in which angels are adorning God singing what you and I sing also at Mass... "Holy, holy, holy Lord of hosts". By describing the frame of the door as shaking and the house being filled with smoke, Isaiah was indicating a theophany or a revelation of God's presence. Realizing God's awesome presence, Isaiah also knows in his very being that he is a sinner unworthy to be in God's presence. Yet, God doesn't allow his sinfulness to stand in his way. Instead, God symbolically cleanses Isaiah by having one of the seraphim take an ember and burn away his sin. Then the voice of God is heard asking who will go to do the work of prophesying. Isaiah responds that he will go.

Like Isaiah, Paul in the second reading realizes his unworthiness. Paul, unlike the regular twelve apostles, was made an apostle through a profound encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus. Paul feels he is unworthy because before this encounter Paul was aggressively persecuting the early Church. Yet Paul realizes and states quite clearly that it was by God's grace, or pure gift, that God forgave him and then called him to spread the Gospel especially to the Gentiles. Recognizing his sinfulness, Paul cooperated with God's grace by working harder than all of them.

Finally, we hear in Luke's Gospel, Jesus' call to Peter and James and John. Like the call of Isaiah and St. Paul, Peter is reluctant to God's initial invitation. Jesus invites Peter to put out his nets into deeper waters, and Peter responds that they have been unsuccessful all night and want to just hang it up. When they do what Jesus tells them, they are rewarded with a huge catch of fish so large that it takes two boats to haul it in, and both boats are in danger of sinking. Peter then falls on his knees and declares his unworthiness. Jesus doesn't allow that action to stop him from calling Simon Peter to a greater mission. Jesus summons Peter and his companions to "catch men" which literally means,

"You shall be taking them alive". In other words, Peter will be saving others from the death of sin and bringing them alive into Jesus' kingdom.

You and I don't often realize that God has a unique mission or calling for each of us. God has a plan for each of us that no one else in the world can fulfill. Most of us don't take the time to discern what that call is and where it leads for our lives. Secondly, we like Isaiah, Paul, and Peter feel inadequate and afraid of our sacred mission. We say, "Why me Lord?". Surely, there is someone else who can do it better than me. God responds by reassuring that his grace is enough for us. His awesome power can overcome all our reluctance, fear, and inadequacy. Hopefully we hear these words in our heart, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?".

~ *Deacon Steve*



The Feast of St. Blaise was February 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
Throats will be blessed after Mass this morning.

In honor of the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, candles will be blessed before Mass February 6<sup>th</sup>. Bring your candles from home if you would like them blessed.



Coffee, rolls and conversation following Blessing of Throats this morning. Hosted by K of C. Everyone is invited!

**Religious Education:** Wednesday 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

VFW Stars & Stripes Breakfast, Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> to benefit DREAM INC. Discount tickets must be purchased in advance. Take outs available. Adults: \$9.50 Child: \$4.50 Under 5 free. For tickets contact Jane Younger 259-3374.

Adoration Chapel needs someone to cover the 10 to 11am, 12 to 1pm, and 5 to 6pm, on Saturdays. Contact Geri Rupp at 785-639-5588.

### Prayer For Moisture

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, grant us sufficient rain/snow, so that, being supplied with what sustains us in this present life, we may seek more confidently what sustains us for eternity. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



### 2022 HEARTLAND PARISH MISSION

February 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>  
St. Nicholas of Myra

Theme: ***The Main Thing is to Keep the Main Thing...The Main Thing.***

**FEATURING:**  
**FR. RICHARD GIELOW ~ Vincentian**

**Who Is A Mission For?** The mission is for all people, from inactive to very active. It is for all ages and for any stage in life; married, single, divorced, separated, widow etc. We particularly invite those who want to know more about the church today and how it can take an active role in the everyday experiences of work, leisure, family and politics.

*Vincentian Mission Prayer*

*by Saint John Gabriel Perboyre, C.M.*

Divine Savior, transform me into Yourself.

May my hands be Your hands.

May my tongue be Your tongue. Grant that every faculty of my body may serve only to glorify You.

Above all, transform my soul and all its powers, that my memory, my will and my affections,

may be the memory, the will, and the affections of You I pray You to destroy in me, all that is not of You.

Grant that I may live but in You, and by You, and for You, and that I may truly say with St. Paul,

"I live now, not I, but Christ lives in me."



Dolores Pfannenstiel, Theo Leiker, Special Intentions, Mike Suppes, Chris Brull, Matt Shorman, 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.*

St. Nicholas of Myra Blood Drive will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 16, from noon to 6pm, at St. Nicholas Parish Hall. Please contact the Parish Office at 785-628-1446, to make an appointment.

CYO Spaghetti Dinner Sunday,  
February 20<sup>th</sup> HFE Little Theater

MENU Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Italian Sausage Garden Salad Garlic Bread Assorted Dessert Items

Lunch: 11:00AM-1:30PM

Supper: 4:30PM-7:00PM

COST \$10.00 Adults \$5.00 Children ages 5-12

RAFFLE DRAWINGS @ 7:00pm





Doctor, Doctor brings you engaging, often humorous, and sometimes serious discussions of practical and current medical topics with a focus on the dignity of the human person – body and soul. Dr. Chris Stroud, Dr. Tom McGovern, and Dr. Andrew Mullally are a trustworthy source of medical information and advice for Catholics... and everyone else! Tune in 10am Saturdays.

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### A Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus asked Simon to start by "going a short distance." Later he asked Simon to "go into deeper water." The first step toward reconciliation is usually a "short distance" which gives us the courage to further "into deeper water." Reconciliation starts with the first short step!

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**February** – February 8 is the Feast of St Josephine Bakhita, patroness of kidnapped and trafficked children. Situations caused by Covid-19 have pushed traffickers online and out of sight, making the exploitation of children more convenient. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 ([sistersagainsttrafficking.org](http://sistersagainsttrafficking.org))

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**ANNUAL APPEAL THANK YOU:** On behalf of our staff, thank you to everyone who donated to and supported the 2021 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal "Together, We Can!" It is through your faithful generosity that individuals and families across northwest Kansas receive the love and mercy of Jesus Christ. Your compassion lifts their burdens so they can begin to see hope for a brighter future. It is not too late to make YOUR impact! Visit [ccnks.org/annualappeal](http://ccnks.org/annualappeal) to donate. God Bless!

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### Attention Adults!

Please join us for *Ora et Labora: Pray and Work* an experience of building community and assisting our neighbors in the area with tasks such as painting, cleaning the garage, lawn work, etc. We will have a guest speaker, share meals, pray & build friendships. When: Evening of March 31- April 2, 2022. Registration deadline: March 1<sup>st</sup> Register on-line at Immaculate Heart of Mary website. Questions: Call Sister Beverly @ 785-625-7339.

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**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:** At the conclusion of the 2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share, our diocese received a total of \$1,995,860 from 4,107 donors. We are so blessed by the generosity of the people in our diocese!!

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### CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



### HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

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- Feb 14 Classroom Valentine's Day Fun
  - Feb 16 Early Release Day, dismissal at 1:15 p.m.  
After School Care Appreciation Day
  - Feb 17 February Birthday Mass & Lunch



### THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

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

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Pop Singers Dinner Show All are invited to the annual Pop Singers Dinner Show! You can see the event information on the new TMP-M Music Department Facebook page.  
Feb 5 – \$20, dinner at 5:30, show at 7pm.  
Feb 6 – \$10, dessert at 1:30, show at 2:30pm.

### Pre-Enrollment Date for New Students

There will be 7th grade/New Student Pre-Enrollment on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 3:30pm - 6pm

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TMP – M Still Seeking a Custodian / Maintenance Employee. Currently looking for a maintenance employee to assist in the cleaning and maintaining of the school. Interested candidates should contact Tom Kisner, Operations Director, by email at [kisnert@tmpmarian.org](mailto:kisnert@tmpmarian.org) or by phone at 785-625-6577.

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*God's mercy & grace are new every morning.*

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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.*