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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 625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

www.tmp-m.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sept 26 8:00 am +Les & Lynette Callahan Gross
 Wed. Sept 29 7:30 am +Jeremy Seib
 Sun. Oct 3 11:00 am +Joe & Mary Richmeier
 Mon. Oct 4 5:30 pm People of the Parish
 Wed. Oct 6 7:30 am +Clarence Legleiter

SERVERS

Sunday, Sept 26 Ahnaly Leiker & Trenton Staley
 Sunday, Oct 3 Wyatt Gerstner & Makailyn Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Sept 26 Peggy Richmeier & Michelle Werth
 Sunday, Oct 3 Nathan Leiker & Ken Richmeier

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Sept 26 Ken Richmeier Herman & Rosie Leiker
 Sun. Oct 3 Lilly Binder Amy Leiker

GREETERS

Sunday, Sept 26 Randy & Michelle Werth
 Sunday, Oct 3 Darold & Evelyn Younker

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, September 26

Mark Leiker, Josh Waddell, Neal younger, Brandon Zimmerman

Sunday, October 3

Ernie Binder, David Leiker, Tony Rohr, Randy Werth

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, Sept 26 Mark & Dora Leiker
 Sunday, Oct 3 Linda Gross
 Sunday, Oct 10 Herman & Rosie Leiker
 Sunday, Oct 17 Glenn & Rhonda Stramel

Need Volunteers to cover all ministries at Mass on Monday October 4th. Contact Lilly.

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$1,555.00 Loose \$83.00
Total \$1,638.00

REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Numbers 11:25-29
 James 5:1-6
 Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

It's been said that the Church is sometimes fearful of the way the Holy Spirit manifests himself and works in the Church. The actions of the Spirit are like the wind and fire...uncontrollable and erratic. In today's first reading and Gospel, we see Joshua, Moses' aide, and John, the apostle, afraid of God's workings in people that do not belong to the established group. Joshua is jealous because God's spirit came down upon two men who were given the gift of prophecy, but did not follow the prescribed protocol. In Mark's Gospel, John is upset because someone, not of their company, was casting out demons using Jesus' name. How often in our lives do we think we know how God should act and where God will act? We think we can control God, and we become jealous and fearful when God acts out of the ways we deem acceptable.

In the first reading from the book of Numbers, God wants to take some of the spirit that was on his prophet Moses and give it to seventy-two elders. For the Israelites, God's nearness was very tangible in the cloud that would settle outside the camp. From the reading, it seems that two elders were not present at the Tent of Meeting where God appeared in the cloud. Even though they were not present, God still bestows the gift of prophecy to these two men named Eldad and Medad. Joshua, Moses' righthand man, complains to Moses about the absence of these two men at the ceremony at the Tent of Meeting. Moses sets Joshua right by saying how he wished God's spirit could come down on all men and women. In the Gospel, we have the same sort of incident as in the first reading. John, the apostle, is telling Jesus that someone not of their company, was using Jesus' name to drive out demons. Jesus takes the opportunity to quell John's apprehension by saying that no one who uses his name could be an enemy of Jesus and his kingdom. Jesus makes it clear that "whoever is not against us is for us". Then Jesus proceeds to tell his disciples that anyone who leads another disciple astray by causing them to sin should be deeply concerned by their behavior. And finally, in the second reading, James lambasts those individuals who mistreat the poor and marginalized in an effort to increase their wealth and comfort.

So how should these readings change our lives? I believe we need to be less jealous of those people who try to live the Christian life or even a good life but don't follow the path the way we deem acceptable. We often

put restrictions on how God should act, and we seem to know what are the best ways for God to act. Playing God is something we humans think we can do, and are ludicrous to think we can know God's mind and the way God will act. And when God acts in ways we don't deem acceptable, we often become jealous of others and even resentful of their behavior. Sometimes we might think everyone has to practice their faith the way I do. We might come to think that the way I live my faith life is the only way to holiness, and others need to imitate my ways. If they don't do it like I think they should, they are not as holy or good. Often pride and selfishness take control of our thinking, and charity and love for neighbors go out the window. Even only we could drop our mindset and be led by the Holy Spirit. Let's pray that the Holy Spirit give us the freedom to allow God to work the way he deems necessary.

~ Deacon Steve

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

K of C Meeting Monday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Hope to see you there!

Our Annual Anniversary Mass & potluck will be held next Sunday, **October 3rd**. Mass will be at 11:00 potluck to follow. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish. Meat, drinks and table settings will be provided.

➔ **Monday, October 4th** – Bishop Vincke will be here to celebrate Mass at 5:30 pm for the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. There will be a social following Mass.



Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish is participating in the **Traveling Rosary Congress** for our diocese!

The Rosary Congress is “held in response to Our Lady of Fatima’s call to conversion, consecration, and prayer and are offered in a spirit of reparation, for life, peace, and the deep healing of our Church.” We will start

on Tuesday, October 5 at 5:00 p.m. with Mass and follow directly with exposition. It will go until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 6 and end with Benediction.

Please sign up for an hour as an individual, group, or family on the sheet in the gathering space at IHM!

If you have any questions, please contact Alicia Knight at 785-656-3746.



Choir practice for St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day Mass with Bishop Vincke, will be Wednesday, September 29th at 7:00 p.m.

HaysMed Flu Drive Sunday, September 26th, 9:00am-1:00pm (a new end time this year!) Key Items: 10-year-olds & up eligible to receive shot within the car. COVID shot in addition to Flu shot will be available. Print paperwork before arrival if you prefer Go to haysmedfoundation.org for forms

OKTOBERFEST: The Munjor Christian Mothers will be serving Green Bean Dumpling Soup and Bierocks. Help needed Thursday evening (Sept 30th) to set up and Friday (Oct 1st) booth help from 11:00 – 2:00. There is **limited** working booth space, so please contact Michelle Werth at 623-3003 regarding volunteering Thursday or Friday.



Life Chain Will you stand for the unborn? National Life Chain Sunday 2021 On October 3rd, across the U.S. and Canada. The event will start at 2:00 p.m., at the St. Joseph Cemetery in Hays. All will gather at the Memorial of the Unborn for a brief prayer service, then proceed to Vine St. from 26th St. for the Life Chain from 2:15 to 3:15pm.

Job well done! Special thanks to all who volunteer to maintain our church grounds and cemetery. Your ongoing gifts of time and talent are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Mark your calendars! Bishop Vincke and the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary and ALL OTHER wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 in 2021. Masses will be celebrated at 3:00 P.M., October 24th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays; and 3:00 P.M., at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church in Salina on Sunday, November 7th. Registration is available beginning September 1st online at salinadiocese.org or by calling the Family Life Office at (785) 827-8746.



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, Tuesday, Oct. 12, from noon to 6pm, at St. Nicholas Parish Hall. Contact the St. Nick's Parish Office at 628- 1446, to make an appointment.

SEPTEMBER – Think about it...some children are not in school because they are being trafficked. Once they are found, in order to be helped to become survivors and thrivers, they need proper housing -- very much lacking in the U.S. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainstrafficking.org)

A Family Perspectiveby Bud Ozar

The words in today's gospel, "Whoever gives a cup of water in the name of Christ will not lose their reward" hits us at home. As parents we gain our "reward" when we bring water to frightened child in the middle of the night, or Kool Aid to parched five-year olds, or hold ice chips to the fevered lips of a spouse. It is that simple and that sacred. In our homes we give until it hurts "in the name of Christ."



CENTER FOR LIFE EXPERIENCE

Healing Hearts: Connect with family members who have lost a child. Meets 2nd Thurs each month.

Healing After Loss of Suicide: Offering hope, encouragement & understanding. Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday each month.

Healing After Loss: Offering hope, encouragement & understanding to those who suffered loss of an adult. Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month.



'The Doctor Is In' is hosted by Dr. Ray Guarendi, who brings to the program a wealth of academic credentials and personal life experience. He deals with personal problems, family issues, and professional questions. Listeners love his fun approach and practical advice! Tune in at noon on Tuesdays-Thursdays. The call-in number is 877-573-7825.



CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
625-3131

Oct. 1 First Friday Prayers

Oct. 4 Pet Blessing, 2:40pm, S. Lawn (Feast of St. Francis)

Oct 8 – Cajetan Cash Drawing Live! at 3pm,
on HFE Facebook

Cajetan Cash (HFE Fall Fundraiser) Raffle Prizes \$1,000 - \$2,500 - \$5,000 - \$10,000 Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased until Oct. 1. Tickets can be purchased from any HFE student. Drawings will be held on Oct. 8, at 3pm, Live on HFE's Facebook page.



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

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

FALL IS ARRIVING AND SO ARE BIEROCKS!

Reserve your bierocks by the dozen at <https://www.hayscatholicschools.org/page/bierocksales> or contact Sandy Losey at 785-621-5414. Bierocks will be made from scratch on October 29th and will be available for pick up the same day. No online payments will be accepted rather cash or check will be accepted at the time of pickup. Secure your order today and be ready for Thanksgiving and Christmas guests! All proceeds benefit the transportation fund for students.

LET'S BUILD THE WAY The south entrance of TMP-Marian is iconic but is in disrepair and needs improvement. In addition to the cracks being a visible weakness in our great school, the moisture that is able to enter the building is of immediate concern. It is time to replace/repair the steps at all three main entrances. This campaign to raise funds for the replacement will create a welcoming entrance for all visiting. You have the opportunity to etch your love for Hays Catholic Schools or to honor a loved one with a personalized brick in a stone courtyard surrounding the St. Joseph statue at the south entrance to the school. Contact the Advancement Office at advancement@tmpmarian.org or 785-621-5427 for more information.

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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 be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.