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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

Sunday, July 3rd, 2022 ~ Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions				
Sun. July 3	8:00 am	+Elmer & Margie Augustine		
Wed. July 6	7:30 am	+Curt Pfannenstiel		
Sun. July 10	8:00 am	L/D Herman & Rosie Leikerfam		
Wed. July 13	7:30 am	+Nick & Almeda Stecklein		

SERVERS

Sunday, July 3 Valerie Dome & Trenton Staley
Sunday, July 10 Alec Gerstner & Ahnalyn Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, July 3 Ernie B, Peggy R, Michelle W. Sunday, July 10 Lauren M, Glenn S, Rhonda S.

	LECTORS	OFFERTORY GIFTS
Sun. July 3	Lilly Binder	Brandon & Brandi Z.
Sun. July 10	Benjamin Dome	Darold & Evelyn Younker

GREETERS

Sunday, July 3 Nathan & Jenalyn Leiker Sunday, July 10 John & Amy Moeder

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, July 3

Brian Pfannenstiel, Tony Rohr, Josh Waddell, Randy Werth

Sunday, July 10

Jason Carter, Aaron Dome, Jerry Gross, Brandon Zimmerman

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, July 3	Randy & Michelle Werth
Sunday, July 10	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Sunday, July 17	Ken & Peggy Richmeier
Sunday, July 24	Aaron & Kolleen Dome

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$2,117.00 Loose \$75.75 Total \$2,192.75



REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Isaiah 66:10-14c Galatians 6:14-18 Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

We're on a journey with Jesus to Jerusalem. Each week until October 30th, Jesus will lay out a different aspect of discipleship or characteristic of discipleship as he travels to Jerusalem. It is your job and mine to discover what that aspect or characteristic is for us to follow. Please email me at urbs57@gmail to tell me what you think the characteristic is for this week or stop me after Mass and let me know your ideas. As I reminded you in last week's commentary, Jesus is on a mission to get to Jerusalem where he will suffer, die, and rise. He invites us to travel with him and follow his footsteps. This week he sends his followers out ahead of his journey in pairs. He is very specific on what we are to pack for the trip and what our itinerary will be. He seems to say travel light because the trip will be fraught with all types of challenges.

So let's begin our journey by reflecting on the first reading from Isaiah. This reading uses two powerful images...a child nursing at his or her mother and a river. The child nursing at his mother's breast ties into another image often used in the Old Testament...that of marriage. Throughout the Hebrew Scriptures, God loves his people as a husband would love his wife. Yet, we see that this wife or the people of Israel often turn away as does an adulterous wife. Yet God always welcomed back his wayward bride. The setting for today's reading is the Israelites who have returned from captivity in Babylon and are needed to rebuild their temple and their homeland. Today's reading emphasizes God's great tenderness, compassion, and the invitation to return home to Him. God's fidelity is like a mother who tenderly holds and caresses her child. God is drawing his people back to himself. He yearns to have his people accept his love. And his graces and mercy are like a river or torrent flooding the arid countryside of Palenstine. I am not sure how this reading ties into the Gospel except that after returning from their inaugural mission the disciples rejoice in their accomplishments. They seemed to be filled with great enthusiasm in how their first mission trip went.

In the Gospel from Luke, Jesus is sending the disciples out on their first mission assignment. He seems to say quite clearly that the harvest is ready but there are not enough laborers to gather in the crop. He then tells them to ask or "pray" for more workers to bring in the harvest. After telling them to be careful, like lambs among wolves, he tells them how to pack for the journey. He says take no money bag for the trip, no sack to carry things, even no sandals. They must rely on the generosity of God as is made evident through the hospitality of their fellowman. While they have no money to offer their hosts, what they can give is this gift of peace which is a totality or completeness of life. But Jesus pulls no punches about the reception they will receive. Some will accept the Gospel message, and others will reject the invitation of Jesus.

So we come to the crux of Jesus' invitation? It's a message to go out into the world and preach, heal, and drive out evil. It will be difficult; yet it will bring great joy as was found in that first reading from Isaiah. In the midst of our struggles,

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Jesus loves us as a mother tenderly loves her children. Jesus gives us everything we need to accomplish his mission work. He never sends us out empty handed. He invites us to rely totally on his grace and mercy. So off we go filled with peace in our hearts. Let's go out joyfully and

~ Deacon Steve



Coffee, Rolls and Conversation following Mass this morning, hosted by the Parish. Everyone is invited.

Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today.

<u>Desserts Needed</u>: Tour die Kapellen (*Tour of the Chapels*) will be held on July 9. Proceeds from this years bike tour will benefit St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Our parish will provide a meal at the end of the bike tour. We are in need of desserts. If you can bring a dessert or have questions, please contact Bea Suppes at 625-5180. Thank You!

FIREWORKS! FIREWORKS! FIREWORKS!

If Fireworks are part of your "Independence Day" celebration be sure to get all your Firework supplies at the IHM-CYO tent located in the west parking lot at Big Creek Crossing! Operating hours are 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. July 2nd thru July 4th Proceeds from the tent will help offset the cost of going on mission trips, NCYC and other activities.

Patriotic Rosary

Sunday July 3rd, 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church

Pastoral Council Meeting: Tuesday, July 19th 6:30 p.m.

JULY - WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS – JULY 30. Donate to residences where staff are helping survivors to rebuild their lives. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainsttrafficking.org), 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63l3l

A Family Perspective ...by Bud Ozar

Just like the seventy two disciples sent out by Jesus in today's gospel, families are expected to be MISSIONARIES. By our lives, words and life style we proclaim peace, commitment, fidelity and respect to a culture caught up with violence and gratification



Join Us For A Value Them Both Holy Hour 6 -7 pm Mon, August 1st Immaculate Heart of Mary

6:00 Exposition 6:05 Rosary
6:30 Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:45 Litany to the Blessed Mother
6:50 Benediction

Ice cream social to follow in the Little Theater.



"Please vote YES on the Value Them Both amendment that is up for a vote on August 2nd. A YES vote restores our Kansas Constitution to the way it was before an extreme court ruling cleared the path for nearly unlimited and unregu-

lated abortion in Kansas. A YES vote protects existing restrictions on the abortion industry. A YES vote on Value Them Both is supported by a great many Kansas healthcare professionals because commonsense regulations ensure women will be safer, healthier, and more protected. Make sure you are registered to vote by July 12. Advance voting in person or by mail begins July 14. You may NOW request a vote-by-mail ballot (advance voting) from your county election officer. To learn more, go to: www.ValueThemBoth.org"

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn, we implore your powerful intercession at this most critical of times. Now that the Kansas Supreme Court has completely removed pro-life protections for the unborn and women in distress, we humbly ask you to strengthen our efforts to pass the Value Them Both Kansas Constitutional Amendment to reverse this decision and protect the sanctity of

Mental Health First Aid Course will be on Saturday, Aug. 6, from 8:30am to 3:30pm, at First Baptist Church, Hays. In partnership with High Plains Mental Health Center, we are offering this 1-day course. This version of the Mental Health First Aid Course is geared toward those who work with youth - Pastors, Youth Pastors, teachers, youth volunteers, etc. The event is free with a lunch provided. You must preregister at the following email address.: james.gerstner@HPMHC.com The class size is limited to the first 25 to register.



<u>Prayer Requests</u>: Special Intention, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, 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.

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"NAMI Connections" Meets 1st & 3rd Monday each month (in-person or online) – 7 to 8:30pm: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: NAMI Hays - 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. For more info e-mail at art@namikansas.org.

"Healing After Loss" Support Group meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday each month (in-person) – 10am: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: Center for Life Experience 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. RSVP by e-mail at info@cflehope.org or call for information 785-259- 6859.

"NAMI Family Support Group" Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month (in-person or online) – 7 to 8:30pm: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: NAMI Hays - 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. For more info e-mail at art@namikansas.org.

"Healing Hearts" Support Group meets 2nd Thursday each month (in-person) – 6:30pm: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: Center for Life Experience 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. RSVP by e-mail at info@cflehope.org or call for information 785-259-6859.

A different mindset Dementia Alzheimer's caregiver support group. 2nd Thursday of every month, at 2:30pm for 1 hour. Learn more about these zoom meetings by emailing maacarmstrong@gmail.com

THE 2022 DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE will be Saturday, August 13th. Former Swiss Guard and renowned Catholic Speaker, Mario Enzler, will be the keynote speaker.

Holy Land Pilgrimage: Fr. Joseph Kieffer will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from November 29—December 8, 2022. If you are interested or for more information contact him at 785-337-2289 or frjoseph.kieffer@gmail.com



CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal (785) 625-3131

June/July Office Open Tues-Thurs 9:00-Noon & 1:00-4:00

Full Time Job Opening: Daytime Custodian Holy Family Elementary is searching for an individual for a full-time custodial job from approximately 9am to 6pm each day. The potential employee would clean assigned facilities, assist with grounds care, and help with light maintenance work as needed, and have the ability to lift and move 30-50 lbs. Experience is preferred but will train the right candidate. One full health insurance policy, paid sick leave, and paid vacation are offered with this position. Applications can be picked up from the school office.

HFE has openings for students entering Preschool, 1st, 2nd, and 5th grade for next school year 22-23! Please contact the school office at 785-625-3131 if you'd like more information or would like to tour the school!



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

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

New and Used Uniform Sale Set for July 13th. There are sales at both TMP-M and Holy Family throughout the day, and both new and used uniform pieces will be available for fitting and purchase. TMP-Marian will run from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. on July 13 in the dining hall (use the NE JH entrance).

Volleyball Coaches Needed TMP-M is looking for an assistant high school volleyball coach and a head coach and assistant coach for junior high volleyball. Please email Megan Gottschalk at mgottschalk@hfehays.org

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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.

Important **VALUE THEM BOTH** Message

from Bishop Vincke

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Mother Teresa once said: "We cannot all do great things. But we can do small things with great love." Now you and I, the people of the Catholic diocese of Salina, have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to do a great thing through a small act. I'm talking about the critical need to vote "yes" on the Value Them Both Amendment this August 2nd. Because of a radical state court ruling in Topeka, the abortion industry in Kansas is now being allowed to operate with virtually no limits or regulations.

Kansas is already becoming an abortion destination for the Midwest. Kansas abortions are skyrocketing—up double digits the past three years. Almost half of the abortions now performed here are on women from outside of Kansas. This is a humanitarian tragedy unfolding right before us. I know that in the past, you—like me—have felt helpless to stop what's happening. But here's the thing. In this particular instance we can actually do something about it. Our votes and voices can and will make a difference. If we vote "yes" in big numbers for the Value Them Both Amendment, we will reverse the radical court ruling and allow Kansas laws regulating the abortion industry to once again be in effect and enforced.

Our "yes" vote on Value Them Both will protect Kansas women and save babies-it's that simple.

Here is another important point. You may have heard that the United States Supreme Court in Washington D.C. may soon overturn the infamous Roe versus Wade decision that legalized abortion. We are hopeful this will happen. But no matter what the U.S. Supreme Court does, abortion in Kansas will remain unlimited and unregulated unless we pass the Value Them Both Amendment.

Only Kansans like you and I can save our state from the evil of an unregulated abortion industry. Voters in the diocese of Salina and throughout rural Kansas have an extra and particular responsibility to vote "yes" and offset the anticipated "no vote" coming from bigger cities. We need you. Please, get involved. Make sure you are registered to vote. I encourage you to ask for an advance ballot from your local election office. However you do it, please vote "yes" for Value Them Both.

You can also help by making phone calls to friends and knocking on their door, respectfully asking them to please vote "yes." In the grand scheme of life, these are small actions...but if we do them with great love, life will prevail. And we can protect Kansas as a place that welcomes, honors and values both women and babies.

We consecrate our efforts to our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn. Our Lady will guide and protect us. She will not let us down.

To learn more, including ways to get involved, go to valuethemboth.com.

Thank you for your attention. Keep this intention close to your heart and in constant prayer. May our Redeemer give success to the work of our hands.

God bless you,

Bishop Jerry Vincke

11TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

CALLED TO PROTECT

FAMILY, LIFE, TRUTH



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DR. MARIO ENZLER

Former Swiss Guard, serving Pope John Paul II and Dean of Cameron School of Business at University of St. Thomas

AUGUST 13TH, 2021 8:00AM - 12:30PM IMMACULATE HEART 1805 VINE ST. HAYS KS

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