

# 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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Kevin Stramel 623-7107

## 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 27 8:00 am +Donald P. Werth  
 Wed. Mar 2 7:00 pm L/D Benjamin & Diana Dome family  
 Sun. Mar 6 8:00 am +Edward & Oliva Pfannenstiel  
 Wed. Mar 9 7:30 am +Rupert Pfannenstiel

**SERVERS**

Sunday, Feb 27 Cali Richmeier & Rafe Richmeier  
 Ash Wednesday Logan Leiker & Trenton Staley  
 Sunday, Mar 6 Benjamin Dome & Rexton Leiker

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, Feb 27 Peggy Richmeier & Glenn Stramel  
 Ash Wednesday Lilly Binder & Ken Richmeier  
 Sunday, Mar 6 John Moeder & Lauren Moeder

**LECTORS**

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Sun. Feb 27	Valerie Dome	Donovan Richmeier
Ash Wed	Gene Gottschalk	CCD Students
Sun. Mar 6	Nathan Leiker	Joe & Mindy Pfannenstiel

**GREETERS**

Sunday, Feb 27 Ken & Peggy Richmeier  
 Ash Wednesday CCD Students  
 Sunday, Mar 6 Frank & Paulette Seib

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, February 27**

Kenny Pfannenstiel, Donovan & Jeff Richmeier, Randy Werth

**Sunday, March 6**

Ernie Binder, Wilbert Gross, Tony Staley, Darold Younker

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, Feb 27 Jason & Rose Carter  
 Sunday, Mar 6 Ernie & Lilly Binder  
 Sunday, Mar 13 Tony & Patty Rohr  
 Sunday, Mar 20 Linda Gross

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes	\$1,380.00
Loose	\$70.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,450.00</b>



**REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN**

Sirach 27:4-7  
 1 Corinthians 15:54-58  
 Luke 6:39-45

“What you are speaking so loudly, I cannot hear what you are saying!” This terse statement cuts to the very core of the meaning of today’s first reading from Sirach and the Gospel from Luke. Both Jesus Ben Sirach and Jesus call us to be authentic and transparent. If we are to be evangelizers and witnesses to others about the Gospel, we must first make sure we are authentic and true to ourselves. In a world which seems to point out every speck of hypocrisy, Jesus makes clear that our own house must be in order before we can tidy up another’s. Drawing upon an agricultural image, Jesus points out that a good tree brings forth mostly good fruit while a decaying tree usually brings forth very little of anything. In a world where people say one thing and do quite the opposite, Jesus is calling us to honesty, integrity, and true evaluation of our motives and actions.

Sirach, or “Ecclesiasticus,” its Greek name meaning the Book of the Church, was originally written in Hebrew by a man wanting to help his fellow Jews maintain their traditions against the advancing Greek culture. This original author wanted to underscore the belief that true wisdom came not from abstract philosophizing but from an authentic faithfulness to the Lord. Several generations later, this author’s grandson translated his grandfather’s work into Greek so that Greek-speaking Jews could learn from its wisdom. In today’s pericope, we learn that a person’s true character is often revealed by what comes forth from his mouth. Using a harvest image, the author points out that once the harvested grain is run through a sieve what is left are the husks or refuse. So, when one speaks, one’s true character is revealed to those who hear it.

In today’s Gospel, we conclude Luke’s version of the Great Sermon. Jesus uses three parables to get his message across that our words and actions must be in sync when we share the Gospel. The first is about the blind person leading the blind, the second is about the splinter and beam, and the third is about a good and bad tree. Especially in the second parable, Jesus uses a grossly exaggerated image to describe the attempt to correct others before putting our own house in order. Jesus points out the ridiculousness of our attempt to remove the splinter from another’s eye when we have a huge beam protruding from our eye. Jesus demands that first we change our hearts, admit our sins, uncover our weaknesses before we attempt to help another with their faults.

These two readings, the one from Sirach and the Gospel, speak to a major evil in our world. Dishonesty, deception, deceit... call it what you may. Often, we say one thing and do quite the opposite. There is a major disconnect between what we say and how we behave. Along with this duplicity, we are often very critical of others and their actions, but are

quite forgiving and easy on ourselves. We don't use the same standards for ourselves that we demand of others. Jesus calls us to look at our hearts and fix ourselves first before we start trying to reshape others. Let's pray for the grace to be honest, truthful, and sincere of heart. Let's support each of us with graciousness, mercy, and gentleness when leading others and showing them their faults.

~ *Deacon Steve*

K of C Meeting: Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.



**ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup>**

Day of fast and abstinence.  
Mass 7:00 pm

**Religious Education:** Attend Ash Wednesday Mass at 7 pm

Stations of the Cross – Friday 7:00 p.m.



**WOMEN OF THE PARISH:**

At the recent Christian Mothers meeting it was decided to have the party, that was postponed in January, to be held Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. You will again need to RSVP.

**RSVP Deadline ~ April 19<sup>th</sup>**

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The mission of the Church is to go out and make disciples. The

Salina Diocese has that same mission – to be disciples who make disciples through witnessing by faith, hope and love. The primary way that mission is funded is through the Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share. Please prayerfully consider joining in the mission. • Make your gift online at [join.salinadiocese.org](http://join.salinadiocese.org) • Mail a check to Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina (memo: Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share) | P.O. Box 1696, Salina, KS 67402-1696 • Learn more at [salinadiocese.org/office/catholicfoundation-for-diocese-of-salina](http://salinadiocese.org/office/catholicfoundation-for-diocese-of-salina)

Schoenchen K of C hosting a stag, at the Community Center building in Schoenchen on Fat Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> Social Hour at 5pm, Supper at 6pm. \$15 per person. For tickets contact Eric Dexter 656-3454 or Tim Dickman 656-3000.



St. Nicholas K of C Fish Fry will be on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30 to 6:30pm, in the Parish Hall. Free will offering. Take out available. Menu: deep fried fish and chips, mac & cheese, coleslaw and bread.

**We're back!!** The Victoria K of C Fish Fries will once again offer dine-in service. Carry out is available. We will be serving deep fried Pollock, fried noodles and beans, coleslaw, baked potatoes, bread and drink. Cost will be \$15 for adults and \$5 for children. The dates are March 4, March 18, and April 1. We will begin serving at 5pm and serve until 7:30pm, or until the food is gone. Location is the Victoria VFW Hall.

Ellis K of C is hosting a Fish fry on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7pm at the K of C Hall in Ellis, KS. Cost is \$12.00 for adults.

IHM CYO & St. Mary's K of C Fish Fry Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 4 - 7pm or until food is sold out. HFE Little Theater

St. Joseph's Parish is hosting their annual Meatless Soups/Breads on Friday's during Lent in the Kennedy School Cafeteria from 5 to 6:30pm.

**BELOVED**, a one-day seminar for engaged couples that looks into the long-term commitment of marriage and working through challenges as a couple. The next seminar is Saturday, March 26, from 8:30am to 4:00pm, at IHM Parish. Pre-registration is required. Contact Nancy Urban at [nancyurban44@gmail.com](mailto:nancyurban44@gmail.com) (785-628-2009) or Susan Kisner at [skisner@ihm-church.com](mailto:skisner@ihm-church.com) (785-625-7339)



Special Intentions, Theo Leiker, 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.*



Bishop Robert Barron of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles hosts "The Word on Fire Show." The trusted clarity of Bishop Barron illustrates the truth, goodness, and beauty of Catholicism. Tune in to 105.7 FM, online at [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com), or on the free phone app. Show times are 8 AM and 3:30 PM on Saturdays and 10:30 AM on Sundays.

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Hays Session: The first phase of the two-year synod called by Pope Francis is happening in local dioceses throughout the world. The goal of the synod is to become a more “listening” Church. A listening session will be held in Hays, at St. Nicholas parish hall, March 20<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 p.m. Anyone is invited to participate.

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

Today Jesus tells us: “Why do you see the speck in someone else’s eye but miss the log in your own eye?” It’s always easier to try to change someone else than face the things in ourselves which need change. What a waste of time for we can’t change anyone but ourselves.

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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 ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org))

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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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Faith is not about everything turning out okay,  
Faith is being okay no matter how  
things turn out.

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### HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

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- March 1 Shrove Tuesday ~ Students Wear Aprons  
Annual Pancake Races (4<sup>th</sup> grade) 2:30 p.m.
  - March 2 Ash Wednesday ~ School Mass at 8:00 a.m.
  - March 3 Educational Specialists Appreciation Day
  - March 4 End of Qtr. 3  
First Friday Prayer Circles  
Stations of the Cross, 2:45 p.m. IHM
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### THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

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

### Pre-Enrollment Date for New Students

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

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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### 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.

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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.*