

St. Francis of Assisi Church

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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. Oct 31 8:00 am L/D Herman & Rosie Leiker family
 Mon. Nov 1 7:00 pm Special Intention
 Wed. Nov 3 7:30 am L/D Joe & Rose Gross family
 Sun. Nov 7 8:00 am L/D Edward J. Ruder
 Wed. Nov 10 7:30 am +Steve & Aaron Pfannenstiel

SERVERS

Sunday, Oct 31 Logan Leiker & Trenton Staley
 Monday Nov 1 Benjamin Dome & Valerie Dome
 Sunday, Nov. 7 Wyatt Gerstner & Rafe Richmeier

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Oct 31 Ernie Binder & Ken Richmeier
 Monday, Nov 1 Lilly Binder & Bea Suppes
 Sunday, Nov 7 Nathan Leiker & Lauren Moeder

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Oct 31	John Moeder	K of C Members
Mon Nov 1	Lauren Moeder	Volunteers
Sun. Nov 7	Natalie Oborny	Linda Gross

GREETERS

Sunday, Oct 31 K of C Members
 Monday, Nov 1 Volunteers
 Sunday, Nov 7 Jason & Kacy Gerstner

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, October 31

Wilbert Gross, Mark Leiker, Nathan Leiker, Neal Younger

Monday, November 1 ~ Volunteers

Sunday, November 7

Jason Carter, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Rich Ruder, Brandon Zimmerman

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, Oct 31 Darold & Evelyn Younker
 Sunday, Nov 7 Aaron & Kolleen Dome
 Sunday, Nov 14 Randy & Michelle Werth
 Sunday, Nov 21 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier

REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Deuteronomy 6:2-6
 Hebrews 7:23-28
 Mark 12:28-34

As I write this reflection for this Sunday, I do so on the feast of St. John Paul II. This great saint said this, "It is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness; He is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you". I believe this quote summarizes especially the first reading from Deuteronomy and the Gospel from Mark. Both readings call us to one thing and one thing only...to love God with our whole being and to love our neighbor as yourself. As St. John Paul II understood and lived by, it is total love that draws us to God and total self-giving that we must give back to our Creator and Redeemer. While it sounds quite simple, living this reality takes a lifetime of work and grace.

In today's first reading from Deuteronomy, we hear the prayer that faithful Jews utter each morning and night. In fact, this prayer is called the *Sh'ma Yisrael* which means "Hear, O Israel". The prayer demands total love of God with all your heart, soul, and strength. It reflects the absolute monotheism of Yahweh...the belief in one God only. Also, it shows the absolute involvement of this one God for his people Israel. Finally, it demanded an absolute response to God with one's whole being. In other words, the Israelites had been loved and chosen by God, and God, in turn, called forth this same total love.

This "Hear, O Israel" or "*Sh'ma*" prayer or credal formula is also found in the Gospel. In today's Gospel, Jesus' authority as rabbi is questioned by the scribe when he asks Jesus which is the first of all commandments. As you might recall, the Israelites had hundreds of precepts that they were obliged to obey. In today's Gospel, Jesus starts by quoting the "Hear, O Israel" command, but then pairs it with a second commandment. The greatest of all commandments is to love God with all your heart, soul, and energy, but Jesus expands his hearers' understanding to add this second and equal commandment of love of neighbor. In other words, love of God is revealed and brought to completion when we love our neighbor. Jesus is saying that you can't love God without loving other people, all other people including our enemies.

So that leads us to the question of how we are going to live out these readings, especially the Gospel. We can come to Church and fulfill our Sunday obligation. We can also receive the sacraments on a regular basis, but we fail to heed Jesus' command if we don't love our neighbor. Worship and prayer are essential to our faith life, but worship should always lead us out into the world to love and take care of our neighbor. And my neighbor doesn't just mean the people who are like myself and get

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along with me. It means to love the poor, the forgotten, and those people who are my enemies. Love of neighbor means to love those closest to us like our immediate family but also those who are far away living in some poor third-world country. Our neighbor includes anyone and everyone. Love of God lived out in loving other people is the foundation of our faith life. And love of God, our neighbor, and ourselves will bring us, as St. John Paul II said, to true happiness and fulfillment.

~ Deacon Steve



Join us for coffee and rolls Sunday, November 14th following Mass hosted by the Knights of Columbus. In the Parish Hall.

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

+ ALL SOULS SERVICES +

St. Anthony, Schoenchen: Saturday, Oct. 30, after the 5:30pm, Mass.

Our Lady Help of Christians Antonino Saturday, Oct. 30, after the 4pm, Mass.

St. Joseph, Hays: Sunday, Oct. 31, at 1pm

St. Francis of Assisi: Sunday, Nov. 7, at 1:30pm

(At the cemetery, nothing in church)



2022 Mass Intentions are now being accepted. Due to current schedule of two Masses per week, please limit to 3 intention requests. Stipends remain \$10.00 per Mass.

Contact Lilly to schedule ~ 623-8000

Parish Men's Picture: If you are interested in ordering a picture of the group of men of the parish that was taken recently, please contact David Leiker by November 1st.

St. Catherine's Christian Mothers ~ German Style Cook-Off
~ Katharinenstadt Essenfest ~

Entry Cost: \$20 per GERMAN FOOD entry. Cash Prize for the top 3 People's Choice Award. Deadline to register is November 3rd. Taster Cost: \$5 per person. Taste all entries!

Where: Kennedy Middle School Cafeteria 1309 Fort St

When: Sunday, November 7th 11:00 -1:00

Contact Sarah Shubert to register for tickets 785-656-2399

There will also be Polka Music, Beer, and a Bake Sale!!

Thank You for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday by visiting www.MISSIO.org

Munjoy K of C Stag, Thursday, November 11th at the Munjoy School. Social 6 to 7pm, Dinner starting at 7pm. \$15.00 a ticket and there will be a gun raffle from those present. All proceeds go to support the Seminarian Fund. To purchase Stag tickets contact Neal Younger at 656-0814.



Appreciation Dinner Sunday, November 21st beginning at 5:00 p.m. for the many volunteers in our parish. We invite anyone/everyone who helps with Mass ministries, Religious Ed, mows and maintains church grounds, building upkeep etc.

Please RSVP by November 14th to Lilly (623-8000)

ANNUAL ADOPTION MASS is scheduled for November 5 at 6 P.M. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. The event is hosted by Catholic Charities in honor of those who have been touched through adoption in their own lives. A reception will follow. No RSVP necessary, and all are welcome to attend!

A Family Perspectiveby Bud Ozar

In a family, children are taught to be respectful if they want to be respected, to share, if they want their fair share and to listen if they want to be heard. Family life rescues us from arrogance by teaching us to love others as we love ourselves.

St. Joseph Church is looking to fill the position of Business Administrator. The position involves the financial and property management of the parish and cemetery. To request a copy of the job description, email: stjoffice@stjoehays.com Resumes should be sent to Fr. Rich Daise at frich@sacredheartcolby.com or dropped off at the parish offices or mailed to: Fr. Rich Daise, PO Box 1000, Hays KS 67601. The deadline for submitting a resume is Monday, Nov. 8th, 2021.



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.

Stars & Stripes Breakfast Buffet, Sunday, November 14th from 7:30am - 12:00pm Proceeds benefit: VFW Post 9076 For tickets contact Kathy at 785.628.1714 or the VFW at 785.625.9940 Adults: \$9.50 in advance or \$10 at door Children 5-12yrs: \$4.50 in advance or \$5 at door Under 5yrs are free.

OCTOBER – Partner with others - faith based groups, law enforcement, friends - to discuss some of the issues in U.S. Catholic Sisters' website (sistersagainstrafficking.org.) U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131.



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.



Called to Communion host Dr. David Anders talks lovingly but clearly with non-Catholics and fallen-away Catholics in this live call-in show! Tune in to 105.7 FM, online at dvmercy.com, or on the free phone app at 1 PM on weekdays. The call-in number is 833-288- 3986.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS.
Don't forget to set your clocks back 1-hour next weekend.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY
Rachel Wentling, Principal
625-3131

Nov 1 NO SCHOOL – All Saint's Day
Nov 3 All Staff Mtg. 3:40 p.m. in Library
Nov 5 1st Friday Prayer Circles
Nov 10 Early Release Day; dismissal at 1:15 p.m.
Nov 11 November Birthday Mass & Lunch
Nov 12 NO SCHOOL – Diocesan Inservice



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

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

Custodian / Maintenance Employee:

TMP-M is currently looking for a maintenance employee to assist in the cleaning and maintaining of the school. The position is full time. Interested candidates should contact Tom Kisner, Operations Director, by email at kisnert@tmpmarian.org or by phone at 785-625-6577.

TMP-M Blood Drive:

The TMP-M Blood Drive will be held Wednesday, November 10th from 8:45am - 2pm.

PTF is looking to fill two positions within our group. We are in need of a President and Secretary. There are two officers ready to work with and help any new teammates. PTF does various activities within TMP-M. If you are interested, please contact the front office - 625-6577 and talk with Amy.

TMP COED Softball Fundraiser on Saturday, Nov. 6, at 9:30am, at Glassman Softball Fields. Entry Fee: \$100 per team Contact: Jace Wentling to sign up 785-656-0577 or 22wentlingj@tmpmarian.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.



During the month of October, the Catholic Church observes Respect Life Month. We are invited to pray and reflect more deeply on the gift of human life as we help build a culture that cherishes and protects it.

RESPECT LIFE RESOURCES

Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas provides financial housing assistance, basic needs like food, hygiene, diapers and clothing; counseling services, immigration legal services and more!

The Free Pregnancy Support Program operates out of offices in Salina, Hays and Manhattan. Pregnancy Support Specialists also travel to Goodland, Norton, Clay Center and Concordia. <https://ccsnks.org/pregnancy>

Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas is a licensed adoption child placing agency, authorized by the State of Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Adoption Services are available to birth mothers and prospective adoptive couples. <https://ccsnks.org/adoption>



CATHOLIC DIOCESE
of SALINA