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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 www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

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www.tmp-m.org

Mass Intentions			
Sun. July 20	8:00 am	+Nick & Almeda Stecklein	
Wed. July 23	7:30 am	L/D Paul & Ruby Binder fam	
Sun. July 27	8:00 am	+Isadore & Cecelia Schu- macher & Trish Vonfeldt	
Wed. July 30	7:30 am	L/D Les & Linda Gross fam	

Servers		
Sun July 20	Alec Gerstner & Rafe Richmeier	
Sun July 27	Hayley Gerstner & Trenton Staley	

# **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sun July 20 Jenalyn L, Lauren M, Josh W, Tina W.

Sun July 27 Lilly B, Jenalyn L, John M, Tony S.

	LECTORS	OFFERTORY GIFTS
Sun July 20	Brian Pfannenstiel	Sid & Joanne Steinert
Sun July 27	Julie Richmeier	Alan & Juanita Stecklein

	GREETERS
Sun July 20	Francis Leiker
Sun July 27	Nathan & Jenalyn Leiker

#### **COLLECTION TEAM**

# Sunday, July 20

Jerry Gross, Rich Ruder, Sid Steinert, Darold Younker

# Sunday, July 27

Jason Carter, Blake Leiker, Ken Richmeier, Josh Waddell

# FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER

#### **Faith and Works**

Scripture cannot contradict itself, for if it could then it wouldn't be the word of God. Since this holds true, we can't cherry pick verses that only uphold our view. This is what has caused much confusion in regard to faith and works and our salvation. Instead, we have to take Scripture as a whole.

Where people go wrong in understanding the role of works and salvation is thinking that the works being talked about by St. Paul when he says "a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ," equates to works of any kind. This is not what St. Paul is saying as scripture also says "You see that a man is justified by works and not by faith alone," and we remember that scripture cannot contradict itself. What he is talking about then are works of the Jewish law, like circumcision. These works are no longer binding for Christians as the new circumcision is Baptism. Therefore, circumcision no longer brings us into a covenant with God and does nothing for our salvation. Baptism, however, is a work and is necessary for salvation. Hence, works do matter. Furthermore, Christ's condemnation of those who did not live out the works of mercy and a blessing for those who did, clearly shows us that Jesus expects us to live a life of love for Him shown through our works of love for others.

This all becomes important with today's second reading, as St. Paul tells us, "in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church." He is not proclaiming that Christ's sacrifice was incomplete, but that as Baptized Christians, we are the mystical body of Christ and therefore have a role to fulfill. It is like being cells in a body. Christ nourishes us (His body) and as much as we live a life of charity informed by our faith, we are living cells within His body. If our lives are not in conformity with the law of charity, then we are dead cells. The body in which we reside is still alive, but we ourselves have perished.

In closing, faith is an act of the will and therefore is a work in and of itself. It is whereby we trust in a person for they have shown themselves to be trustworthy. Christ expects us to respond to the grace He gives us in our lives through an act of faith, lived out in our charitable works.

# Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes \$4,535.00

Loose \$176.00 **Total \$4.711.00** 



Janell Herrmann, Amy Moeder, Amber Lacewell, Special Intentions, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Carla Meier, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, Chris Brull, Carol Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know. Please let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.



### St. Francis of Assisi Fiscal Year Ended June 30th.

Parish Statistics provided for Diocesan Annual Report: Catholic Families 46; Mixed 1; Singles 24 = 71 Families Men 56; Women 62; Children Under 18 25 = 143 Parishioners

Baptisms 1 Marriages 0 Deaths 4

Students at Holy Family 1
Students at TMP-M 5

# **Recent Pastoral Council Meeting Update:**

<u>Church</u>: Replace window wraps that are peeling, bid accepted last year with work to be done this fall.

Parish Hall: 2 furnace motors to be replaced upstairs.

<u>Rectory</u>: Church items from around the Diocese are being stored here. These are archive items that will be available to parishes with a need for specific items.

<u>Munjor School</u>: Need to replace one air conditioner/heater unit, cost is \$9,878.00.

Discussed how to generate more facility use. Maybe form a committee to focus on options.

Due to church items from around the Diocese that are now being stored in the Rectory, we have cleaned out rooms with items that are no longer needed. There are metal bed frames/springs, wooden chairs, chrome padded chairs, desks etc. If you are interested in seeing items you can do so after Mass this Sunday, July 20th.

>>> Items are in the Rectory/Sister House. <<<

**Automated External Defibrillator (AED).** The Ellis County Rural Fire Department #9 has donated this device to our parish. There will be training for anyone interested in learning how to use it following Mass on Sunday, August 17th.

# **Council Officer Election:**

Chairperson - Tina Waddell Vice-Chair - Julie Richmeier Secretary - Kolleen Dome

On behalf of St. Joseph Church and St. Joseph Food Pantry, I would like to extend our deepest thanks for your generous donation of \$283.00 received on June 24th. Your support and thoughtfulness enable our food pantry to continue to thrive and serve those in need. Please accept our appreciation for the kindness of your gift. May you receive abundant blessings for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Ann Pfeifer

**Business Administrator** 

#### **EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND**



# Immaculate Heart of Mary Monthly Breakfast

When: Sunday, July 20, 2025
Time: 8:30 AM till 12:00 PM
Where: IHM Parish Hall

Free Will Offering
All Invited for food and fellowship!

Breakfast assisted by volunteers from the parish Hispanic community. Along with our breakfast items there will salsas to enjoy!!!!

# K of C Sponsored Hays Lark's Baseball Game

The Ellis County Councils of the Knights of Columbus is hosting the Hays Larks Baseball Game Monday July 21, at 7pm. Please join us at Larks Park (4th and Oak, Hays) for a night of fun and to encourage new membership. Admission is free courtesy of the Ellis County K of C Councils.

# The Founding Pastor of the 8 Volga-German Catholic Parishes in the Hays Area.

A Presentation by Fr. Reggie Urban.

In 1876, Father Valentine Sommereisen, a Germanspeaking priest from France arrived in Hays just as waves of Volga-German immigrants were settling in the region. In only 19 months, he founded eight Catholic parishes within a half hour of Hays, spanning Ellis & Rush counties. Join us as we explore his remarkable legacy, the growth of theses early faith communities, and the enduring cultural impact of the Volga-German settlers in western Kansas.

July 24th, 6:00 pm at the Hays Public Library - Schmidt Gallery

Dear St Francis parishioners and the Knights of Columbus, Thank you so much for your recent Food Drive that was shared with St Joseph Food Pantry and Diaper Closet! 149 Items were collected and delivered to the pantry, and we are so appreciative of all items shared. Together we will work to keep our community strong, sharing as Jesus teaches us to do.

Sincerely,

Renee Michaud, Coordinator

# Join us during this Jubilee Year of Hope for a pilgrimage on Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> @ 8:45am

\*Gather in the St. Nicholas Parking Lot to caravan to St Paul's in Angelus.

\*There, we will partake in Mass, become familiarized with St Paul's and its history, and participate in reflective prayer.

\*Making this pilgrimage allows you to Gain an indulgence.

\*Be sure to bring a sack lunch.
\*Return to Hays by 2:00pm

For questions, please call Teresa Heimann @ 785-639-3008



2025 EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE -This year's conference hosted by the Comeau Catholic Campus Center at FHSU will also highlight the Jubilee Year of Hope theme for 2025: "Hope Does Not Disappoint." Reflecting on this message, we will be reminded that true hope, rooted in Christ, never falters or fades. Together, we will explore how the Eucharist strengthens us in our journey of hope and trust in God's promises. Please join us on Aug. 9 and 10. <a href="https://salinadiocese.org/office/eucharistic-conference-2025/">https://salinadiocese.org/office/eucharistic-conference-2025/</a>

**RUNNIN' REV'S** will be held in conjunction with the Eucharistic Conference. The game will take place on Aug. 8, at 6pm, in the FHSU Coliseum.



Lord, whatever you are baking outside... It's done.

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



# HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal (785) 625-3131

July

Summer Office Hours Tues - Thurs 8:00 - 1:00



# THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Melissa Schoepf, Jr. High Assistant Principal (785) 625-6577

# Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

Cell phones, emails, faxes, texts and voice mails can reduce our lives to a continual series of interrupted moments. Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "You are anxious about many things" robbing us of the precious time needed to BE with others. Quality time is QUANTITY time.

#### Bible Reflection ~ Stewardship Goal

"...I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God." COLOSSIANS 1:25

We are all called to evangelize – to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends, and neighbors. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

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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.

# St. Francis of Assisi Church Annual Report

July 2024 through June 2025

	Jul '24 - Jun 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	-
Income	
A. Ordinary 1. Offertory	9,127.36
2. Adult Envelopes	120,340.00
Total A. Ordinary	129,467.38
C. Extraordinary	
<ol> <li>Income from Church Property Munjor School - Income</li> </ol>	
Munjor School - Building Use	2,640.00
Munjor School - Income - Other	4,665.00
Total Munjor School - Income	7,305.00
Total 11. Income from Church Property	7,305.00
12. Donations for Building Use 9. Bequest & Donations	1,131.00 13,268.20
Total C. Extraordinary	21,704.20
D. Special & Diocesan 20-21. Total Diocese Collection	2,427.49
22. Miscellaneous	1,375.93
23. Refunds & Reimbursements	545.50
24. History Books	26.00
25. Oktoberfest 26. Parish Supper Income	1,666.00 2,045.00
Total D. Special & Diocesan	8,085,92
Total Income	159,257.48
Gross Profit	159,257.48
Expense	
A. Clergy/Parish Administrator  1. Salary	3,992.40
2. Auto Allowance	3,992.40
3. Extra Mileage	1,227.82
4. Extra Clergy	190.00
5. Retreats - Continuing Ed	270.00
6. Health Insurance	3,732.00 1,620.00
7. Living Allowance	
Total A. Clergy/Parish Administrator B. Staff	15,024.62 19,368.00
	10,300.00
C. Buildings 13. Church Maint/Furn	
14. Art & Environment	400.24
13. Church Maint/Furn - Other	1,377.39
Total 13. Church Maint/Furn	1,777.63
16. Munjor School - Expense	
Munjor School - Electric	2,466.91
Munjor School - Gas	2,666.00
Munjor School - Insurance	6,203.00
Munjor School - Miscellaneous Munjor School - Repairs	126.59 1,091.46
Munjor School - Repairs Munjor School - Security Lights	475.44
Munjor School - Sewer	900.00
Munjor School - Water	180.75
Total 16. Munjor School - Expense	14,110.15

	Jul '24 - Jun 25
17. Hall Maint/Furn 18. Janitor Supplies	744.45 44.45
Total C. Buildings	16,676.68
D. Grounds	2,040.00
E. 23.St. Nick's Rect/Utilitiy G. Office Expenses	1,139.60 1,631.91
H. 31. Utilities Church - Electric Church - Gas Light by Garage Parish Hall - Electric Parish Hall - Gas Rectory - Electric Rectory - Gas Sewer Water	4,921.19 2,881.18 115.38 833.75 1,257.90 552.29 1,050.05 1,800.00 542.25
Total H. 31. Utilities	13,953.99
<ul> <li>I. Diocesan Collections</li> <li>J. 35. MultiPeril - Insurance</li> <li>J. 36. Workman's Compensation</li> <li>K. 39. Social Action</li> <li>L. 40. Reimbursements</li> </ul>	2,427.49 12,899.00 148.00 850.00 1,383.72
L. 42. Parish Appreciation N. School (Subsidy)	2,004.84 43,176.00
O. Liturgy 46. Printed Worship Materials 47. Sanctuary Supplies	1,370.76 694.42
Total O. Liturgy	2,065.18
P. Religious Education 49. Vocations	100.00
Total P. Religious Education	100.00
R. 56. Parish Tax R. 57 Miscellaneous Expense S. Transfer to Savings VOIDED	6,233.00 200.00 13,282.25 0.00
Total Expense	154,604.28
Net Ordinary Income Other Income/Expense Other Income	4,653.20
Cemetery Receipts Cemetery Donations Cemetery Lots Cemetery Maintenance Collection	1,215.00 1,850.00 400.00
Total Cemetery Receipts	3,465.00
Diocesan Savings - Interest Mass Requests S. 52 Amount Invested Transfer - Memorials	9,840.65 1,180.00 12,232.25 1,050.00
Total Other Income	27,767.90
Other Expense Cemetery Disbursements	9,121.60

# Sunday, July 20, 2025 ~ Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

	Jul '24 - Jun 25
Mass Account - Disbursements Mass Stipends	1,040.00
<b>Total Mass Account - Disbursements</b>	1,040.00
Total Other Expense	10,161.60
Net Other Income	17,606.30
Net Income	22,259.50

**ASSETS** 

Current Assets
Checking/Savings
Accounts at Diocese
Cemetery Fund SC#342
Church Project Funds SC

Church Project Funds SC#299 Kitchen Remodel SC#341 Memorial Fund - SC#282 Savings at Diocese SC #79

**Total Accounts at Diocese** 

Cemetery - Checking Commerce Bank - Regular Acct Mass Account

Total Checking/Savings

**Total Current Assets** 

24,701.51 23,565.47

15,027.31 49,380.71 230,131.43

342,806.43

23,618.40 38,901.59 830.74

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406,157.16

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July 20-25, 2025 TMP-Marian Campus



For those entering grades 1-12 in the '25-'26 year: 1st-6th grades: July 21-25, M-F, 9am-3pm 7th-12th grades: July 20-24, Sun-Th, 7:30pm-9:45pm What is Totus Tuus?
Totus Tuus is a week
long summer Catholic
youth program
dedicated to sharing
the Gospel and
promoting the
Catholic Faith through
evangelization,
catechesis, Christian
witness, and
Eucharistic worship.

Contact:

IHM: Jaclyn Brown, 785.625.7339
St. Joe: Allison Ochoa, 785.625.7356
St. Nick: Cody Marintzer, 785.628.1446





Through your generous gift of stewardship to your parishes, there will be no registration fee this year. We still need you to register your child though so we can account for snacks and other supplies. Register Here:



The Rural Life Office invites you to participate in Rural Life Day, Century Farm Awards & Golden Business Awards



Sunday, August 17, 2025 3:00 PM St. Wenceslaus 2807 Ave D

Wilson, KS, 67490

We are now accepting applications for both awards. Visit the Diocese webpage for more information:

