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*Lord make me an
instrument of peace...*



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Jane Younger

785-259-3374

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am

Wednesday - 7:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday - 7:30 am

BAPTISMS - By appointment after completion of required pre-Baptism instructions.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating marriage must contact Pastor at least six months before intended date of marriage.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary

785-625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian

785-625-6577

www.tmp-m.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Aug 10	8:00 am	+Pam Stecklein Rollins
Wed. Aug 13	7:30 am	+Harlan Boor
Thu. Aug 14	6:00pm	+Larry Koirth
Sun Aug 17	8:00 am	L/D Herman & Rosie Leiker family
Wed Aug 20	7:30 am	L/D Gilbert & Gloria Leiker family

SERVERS

Sun Aug 10	Reylyn Leiker & Rafe Richmeier
Thu Aug 14	Alec Gerstner & Rexton Leiker
Sun Aug 17	Hayley Gerstner & Trenton Staley

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sun Aug 10	Lilly B, Josh W, Michelle W, Dcn Steve
Thu Aug 14	Jenalyn L, John M, Ken R, Peggy R.
Sun Aug 17	Nathan L, Lauren M, Wendy R, Tony S.

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun Aug 10	Tina Waddell	Frank & Paulette Seib
Thu Aug 14	Lilly Binder	Randy & Niki Sauer
Sun Aug 17	John Moeder	Rich & Sherri Ruder

GREETERS

Sun Aug 10	John & Natalie Oborny
Thu Aug 14	Ann Pfannenstiel
Sun Aug 17	Amy Pfannenstiel

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, August 10

David Leiker, John Moeder, Jeff Richmeier, Randy Werth

Thursday, August 14

Volunteers

Sunday, August 17

Aaron Dome, Wilbert Gross, Brian Pfannenstiel, Tony Rohr

FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER

Faith Is Not Blind

The Christian faith is not based on the complete unknown as if we just blindly follow what others tell us. On the other hand, there are still many mysteries in it. In this instance of the word mystery, we don't mean that we can't know anything about it. Instead, we mean that we will never know all there is to know about certain things like the Trinity. So where does this leave us in regard to what Faith actually is?

If we observe what we already know, we can see what faith in the ordinary sense is. Love and friendship both require faith, but it is not blind. We have friendships based on the reality that this person has shown themselves to be trustworthy. We often reciprocate love for we have seen our beloved is trustworthy in their love. In the end though, there is no scientific instrument that can measure friendship and love. We simply trust another person as we have seen their previous actions to be somewhat of a litmus test to who they are as a person.

Now that we see faith in the ordinary sense, what is Faith in the Theological virtue? In the example I gave above, sometimes people have ulterior motives and relationships fail, even after faith in that person has been given. With God however, there is no ulterior motive. When He speaks, it is always Truth. God has shown Himself through revelation and the incarnation that He is willing to give everything for us and is trustworthy, but now our faith must go beyond the natural sense as we are talking about the God of the universe, the pure act, the beginning and the end. No being can comprehend the mysteries of God. Therefore, we need supernatural Faith in regard to His mysteries and He is the one who infuses us with this gift. This is the Faith we have through the Holy Spirit working in our lives. It is infused in Baptism and strengthened in Confirmation. It must be cultivated and cared for if it is to remain alive in us. It allows us to trust in God and all that He has revealed, even if we can't fully comprehend it. It is as today's first reading states, that "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."

If you struggle with any of the moral teachings of Christ through His Church, keep allowing the Holy Spirit to help you fight the good fight. Frequent the Sacraments and know that Christ cannot teach error, so whatever you are going through, He has the answer and will lead you to it.

"Father, I am seeking; I am hesitant and uncertain, but will you, O God, watch over each step of mine and guide me." - Saint Augustine

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$2,316.00
Loose	\$1,135.00
Total	\$3,451.00





Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Into Heaven

Holy Day of Obligation.

Our Mass is on Thursday, August 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick will be administered after Mass on Sunday, August 17th

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 next Sunday, August 17th.



CCD/Religious Education. Since we discontinued our weekly Religious Education Program here parents are encouraged to contact Cody Marintzer at 785-628-1446 for more information about attending at St. Nicholas in Hays. The start date there is September 3rd.

Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

In today's gospel a servant WAITED for the master to return. Waiting is a normal part of family life. We wait for a child's birth, then for small legs to catch up. Later we wait for teenagers to return home safely. Finally we wait alone anticipating a call or visit from an adult child. Waiting is sacred time, for even in the waiting we are connected.

Bible Reflection ~ Stewardship Goal

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."
LUKE 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND

Is there something tugging on your heart calling you to deeper faith in Jesus Christ through discipleship in the **Catholic Church**? In your mind are there questions about the Catholic Church and what it believes? Then join us on a journey of faith through O.C.I.A... the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. The O.C.I.A process begins Thursday, Sept. 4, at 6:30pm, in the parish activity center. Through prayer, study, and works of charity, God may be calling you to the Sacrament of Baptism or full communion in the Catholic Church. For more information about this process, contact Deacon Steve at urbs57@gmail.com or call 785.650.2931



**Immaculate Heart of Mary
Monthly Breakfast**

When: Sunday, August 17, 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 Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Council and Finance Council. Proceeds go to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish.

Support the Seminarians— Annual seminarian collection August 10th. This vital collection is held in every parish across the diocese and supports the tuition, summer ministry, books, room and boarding expenses of our current seminarians, as well as recruitment of future seminarians. The average annual cost to educate one seminarian is over \$50,000; regardless of size, every contribution makes a significant impact! To make an online gift, please visit: bit.ly/semsofsalina. Or feel free to make a gift using your parish contribution envelope.



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.*

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Whether you are just beginning your stewardship journey or have been living a stewardship way of life for years, today's readings invite us to ask ourselves an important question.

The question is this: "What do you treasure?" Of course, we all know the "right" answer: we treasure our faith, our family, and our friendships. But Jesus tells us in the Gospel passage from Luke how we can discover the real answer to this question. He says, "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

To discern what we really treasure, we need to do a check on our hearts. We can each ask ourselves, "Where do I spend the majority of my energy? Where do I find my thoughts dwelling? How do I choose to spend my time when I find myself with a few spare moments? What do my spending habits reveal about my what is important to me?"

As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in grateful response to all that God has given us. Do I recognize and treasure these gifts?

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Sally needed some supplies from a Sunday School cupboard that was seldom used and was secured with a lock. She didn't know the combination, but Father offered to give it a try. Father placed his fingers on the lock's dial and raised his eyes heavenward for a moment. Then he confidently spun the dial and opened the lock. Seeing how impressed Sally was with this demonstration of faith, he smiled and confided, "The numbers are written on the ceiling."

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal

(785) 625-3131

Aug 13 Teacher Meet & Great 4 - 5:30pm.
Students bring their school supplies

Job Opening: Paraeducators - Part-Time We're really in need of 2 part-time paraeducators for this school year! One para position will be for Preschool mornings only -- this would be a great opportunity for parents with kiddos all in school, or any other family member/ friend who would enjoy assisting the teachers in the mornings! This employee would help the teachers with supervision, classroom activities/projects, snack time, bathroom breaks, photocopying and other preparation duties as needed. This position is flexible but around 25-29 hours per week during the school year only and does not include benefits.

Job Opening: After School Care Workers - HFE is seeking After School Care workers for this school year! The employee would be needed from 3:00-5:30 p.m. on weekdays during the school year to supervise the students after school is dismissed. Duties include setting up, snack time, assisting with homework, playing games/reading with the children, supervising both indoors and on the playground, and clean-up. This would be ideal for college students or anyone else who may enjoy the part-time after-school hours. If you are interested in either position, please complete an application and bring it by the school office.



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

Melissa Schoepf, Jr. High Assistant Principal

(785) 625-6577

Aug 11 New Student & Parent Info Night (JH/HS)

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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.

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



**CATHOLIC
RURAL LIFE**
SALINA DIOCESE

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:

