

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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Kevin Stramel 785-623-7101

## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS PRESIDENT

Jane Younger 785-259-3374

## 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 785-625-3131

[www/hfehays.org](http://www/hfehays.org)

Thomas More Prep-Marian 785-625-6577

[www.tmp-m.org](http://www.tmp-m.org)

**Sunday, March 31, 2024 ~ Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. Mar 31	8:00 am	L/D Ben Brenner family
Wed. April 3	7:30 am	L/D Mark & Dora Leiker
Sun. April 7	8:00 am	+Keith Fieler
Wed. April 10	7:30 am	Poor Souls in Purgatory

**SERVERS**

Sun March 31	Jacob Leiker & Logan Leiker
Sun April 7	Ahnalyn Leiker & Reylyn Leiker

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sun March 31	Ken R, Peggy R, Josh W, Tina W.
Sun April 7	.Jenalyn L, Nathan L, Lauren M, Wendy R.

**LECTORS                      OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Sun Mar 31	Natalie Oborny	Aaron & Kolleen Dome
Sun Apr 7	Brian Pfannenstiel	Brandon & Brandi Z.

**GREETERS**

Sun March 31	K of C Members
Sun April 7	Josh & Tina Waddell

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, March 31**

Tony Staley, Sid Steinert, Neal Younger, Darold Younker

**Sunday, April 7**

Ernie Binder, Mark Leiker, Rich Ruder, Brandon Zimmerman

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, March 31	Glenn & Rhonda Stramel
Sunday, April 7	Jason & Rose Carter
Sunday, April 14	Linda Gross
Sunday, April 21	Tony & Patty Rohr

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes	\$2,411.00
Loose	\$126.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,537.00</b>



**FROM THE DESK OF CODY MARINTZER**

**The Glory Of The Resurrection!!!**

How do we wrap our heads around what just happened to our Lord? It is good if this Holy week caused us some anxiety, mental difficulties, and just a sense of discomfort with having to think about the horrible events that have transpired. It is good because we need to bring to mind how much Jesus loves us.

Now, think about the change that has happened within these last few days. We have gone from anxiety and despair to the glory of a new day. This isn't just any new day. This is the day of breathing air like we never have before. This is the day where the sun is brighter, creation is more colorful, the gloom is gone. This is the day where we realize God has conquered sin and death. This is the day where Christ has made all things new!

What must it have been like for Mary Magdalene to meet our risen Lord?!? All of the worries and small things that take so much attention would have been gone. There is nothing she would have been thinking about except the glory of God, risen from the dead!!! From then on, nothing would be the same.

As we walk through our lives in this new day, let us not go back to the way things were. Let us always keep in our minds that God died for us and rose this day so that we might not be slaves to sin. The power of Christ is given to us in the Sacraments. The power to not give in to despair. The power to overcome temptation. The power to be forgiven and to forgive. The power to love others as He has loved us. Let us contemplate this often and keep Easter alive in our lives.

*"It is only right, with all the powers of our heart and mind, to praise You Father and Your Only-Begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Dear Father, by Your wondrous condescension of Loving-Kindness toward us, Your servants, You gave up Your Son. Dear Jesus You paid the debt of Adam for us to the Eternal Father by Your Blood poured forth in Loving-Kindness. You cleared away the darkness of sin by Your magnificent and radiant Resurrection. You broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a Conqueror. You reconciled Heaven and earth. Our life had no hope of Eternal Happiness before You redeemed us.*

*Your Resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence and brought us joy. How inestimable is the tenderness of Your Love! We pray You, Lord, to preserve Your servants in the peaceful enjoyment of this Easter happiness.*

*We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with God The Father,*

*in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever.*

*Amen."*

...St. Gregory the Great



**Blessing of food** for your Easter meal will take place at Mass this morning. Place items to be blessed on Mary's altar.

**Religious Education:** Wednesday 6:30 pm

**Expressions of Sympathy** are extended to the family of Donna Leiker. May she and all the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

**Looking Ahead:** Pastoral Council elections will be coming up in a few months. Now may be a good time to discern if this is something you would be open to, fulfilling one component of your Stewardship to St. Francis of Assisi Parish.

**Stewardship Renewal Forms: Do we have yours?** To date 40% have been returned. Every parish family is asked to return them. Thank you if you have already returned your form.

*What gifts of time, talent and treasure will you share?*

**Pastoral Council Meeting,** Tuesday, April 16th 6:30 p.m.

**BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL**

*"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth."*  
COLOSSIANS 3:2

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

**The Sunflower Polka Club** is hosting two days of dancing and fun at the Rose Garden Banquet Hall, 2350 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Hays, on Sat. April 20, from 1 to 7pm, featuring Julie Lee & Wes Windholz, and on Sun., April 21, Free Polka Mass at 11:15am, dancing begins at 1 to 4pm with Julie Lee. Admission on Sat. \$15.00 and Sun. \$10.00, both day \$20.00. Food available. Put on your dancing shoes and join us. Everyone welcome!!!



*Christ is Risen!*

*Alleluia!*

**EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**The Divine Mercy Prayer Service** will be held at 3pm, Sunday, April 7, at St. Joseph Church in Hays. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers and meditation. Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930s. When Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina April 30, 2000, he declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church. **Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the church. CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BEGINNING AT 2pm.** This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio.

**The D of I Stars and Stripes Breakfast on Sunday, April 14,** at the VFW from 7:30am to Noon. All tickets sold in advance will benefit the Daughters of Isabella Circle #254. Tickets purchased at the door do not benefit the organization. The costs are: Adults - \$11.50, children ages 5 to 12 - \$6.50, children under 5 are free. Please contact Patty Wolf at 785-639-1835, Janet Koerner at 785-623-3407 or any of the members.

**Creating Your Catholic Legacy: A Guide to Estate Planning for All Ages** - Join the Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina for a **free** seminar on Catholic estate planning and learn more about:

- ◇ Why you should have a plan in place – regardless of your age
- ◇ What is included in having a plan
- ◇ How to ensure your final wishes are carried out
- ◇ Ensure your Catholic legacy with a gift to your parish, Catholic school or other Catholic ministries
- ◇ And much more!

Wed., April 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm TMP Marian – Learning Commons

Sun., April 14<sup>th</sup> – 2pm St. Joseph – Parish Conference Rm

**Parish Job Opportunity – St. Joseph's, Hays**

St. Joseph Parish is looking for a full-time Maintenance Supervisor. The person in this position manages operations and repair for the rectory, church campus, buildings, and cemeteries. The Supervisor oversees two team members. Normal hours for this position are 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, with occasional night and weekend hours required. Applicants will be subject to a background check.

To request a full job description or to learn more about its accompanying salary and benefits, contact Ann Pfeifer, Parish Business Administrator, at 785-625-7356. You can email a resume to Ann directly at [stjoffice@stjoehays.com](mailto:stjoffice@stjoehays.com) or drop off a resume at 215 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Hays. Priority deadline: Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.



Larry Roda, Kenny Pfannenstiel, 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.



Happy Easter! As our CRS Rice Bowl journey comes to an end, may the Eucharist continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at the parish office at your earliest convenience. THANK YOU for being a part of this effort!

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel We are looking for adoration substitutes. Please consider and pray to be a substitute for those who have an hour, or to commit to one hour of your own. To sign up or get more info, please feel free to contact Brian & Michelle DeWitt by text or calling 785-625-2481 or emailing dewittfamilyks@gmail.com

3 HOURS OPEN: Sunday 1:00AM-2:00AM
Sunday 7:00AM-8:00AM
Thursday 1:00AM-2:00AM

Family Perspective ...Bud Ozar

That first Easter morning was confusing. Jesus was missing and Mary Magdalene, Peter and John "did not know" what to do. In family life there are confusing moments when "we don't know" what to do. Like the apostles we are Easter people when we believe and trust in each other even when all seems lost.

Do not abandon yourselves to despair.



We are the Easter people and Hallelujah is our song.
...St. Pope John Paul II

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Mandy Meagher Principal
(785) 625-3131

- Apr 1 NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
Apr 2 Easter Egg Hunts & Fun K - 1st Grades
Apr 5 First Friday Prayer Circles



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal

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

- Apr 1 NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
Apr 3 Project Graduation Meeting 6:30 pm

For more information you can check the TMP-Marian website under the Google Calendar for the latest updates from the school.

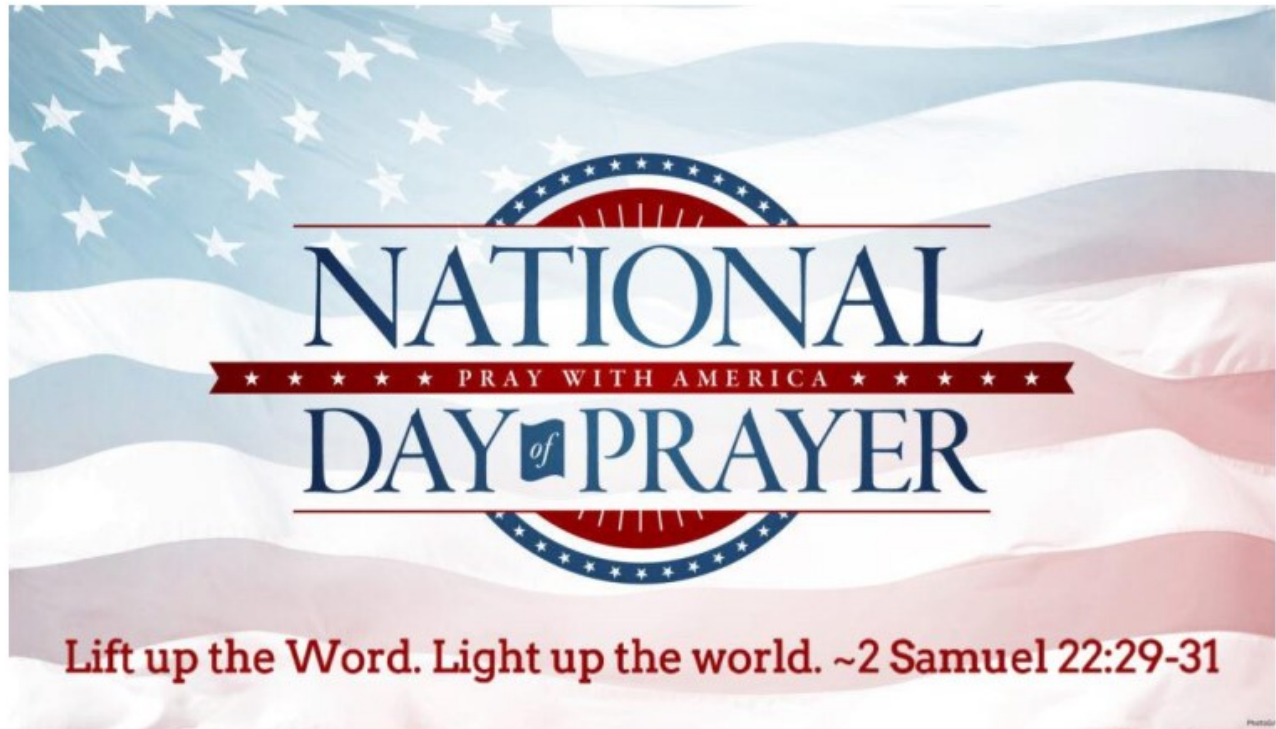
Trip to France Join the Sisters of St. Joseph Concordia, KS, friends, family, former students, parish friends and alumni from Marymount College on a 12-day journey to France, September 20 – October 1, 2024! We are bringing together those that have a special place in their heart for Marymount and the Sisters. We'll be visiting beautiful French cities, along with LePuy, where the Sisters of St. Joseph began their spiritual journey. Visit www.pentecosttours.com (tour #40920) or visit the Marymount College of Kansas Alumni page on Facebook.



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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.



Date: Thursday May 2, 2024

Time: 12:00-1:00pm

Place: VFW Ballroom

2106 Vine St.

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*Let's come together as a  
nation to pray for our nation!*

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