

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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Lilly Binder 623-8000

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Tina Waddell 650-3833

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Ann Pfannenstiel 628-8458  
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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### GRAND KNIGHT

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. Jan 30 8:00 am +Charlotte Werth  
 Wed. Feb 2 7:30 am +Les & Lynette Callahan Gross  
 Sun. Feb 6 8:00 am +Elmer Hertel  
 Wed. Feb 9 7:30 am L/D Norbert & Betty Leiker family

**SERVERS**

- Sunday, Jan 30 Ahnaly Leiker & Trenton Staley  
 Sunday, Feb 6 Valerie Dome & Jacob Leiker

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- Sunday, Jan 30 Ernie Binder & John Moeder  
 Sunday, Feb 6 Rhonda Stramel & Michelle Werth

**LECTORS**

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

- Sun. Jan 30 Ken Richmeier K of C Members  
 Sun. Feb 6 Tina Waddell Hertel Family

**GREETERS**

- Sunday, Jan 30 K of C Members  
 Sunday, Feb 6 Terry & Cathy Pfeifer

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, January 30**

David Leiker, Nathan Leiker, Brian Pfannenstiel, Tony Rohr

**Sunday, February 6**

Jason Carter, Aaron Dome, Jerry Gross, Rich Ruder

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

- Sunday, Jan 30 Randy & Michelle Werth  
 Sunday, Feb 6 Glenn & Rhonda Stramel  
 Sunday, Feb 13 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier  
 Sunday, Feb 20 Mark & Dora Leiker

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes \$1,430.00  
 Loose \$124.00  
**Total \$1,554.00**



**REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN**

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19  
 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13  
 Luke 4: 21-30

As I write this reflection, our country celebrates today the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. His life and his stance against the injustices found in our country capture the essence of both Jeremiah's message and Jesus' mission. In the first reading, Jeremiah receives his marching orders from God, and Jeremiah knows that the people of Judah will fight against him and reject his message. In a continuation from last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus does not perform any miraculous deeds in his hometown of Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Instead, Jesus is met with great hostility to the point of wanting to put him to death. Martin Luther King Jr., in speaking against racism and segregation, stood for freedom, equality, justice, and mostly love. Martin Luther King epitomizes what Jeremiah and Jesus proclaimed and stood for. And like Jesus, it cost him his life. We too must stand courageously and proclaim the Gospel knowing it will cost us a great deal. But like God spoke to Jeremiah, He speaks to us, "I am with you to deliver you".

Today's first reading is taken from the very first chapter of the book of Prophet Jeremiah. In this opening chapter, God calls and consecrates his prophet. God says, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you". Before Jeremiah came into existence, God was like a potter sculpting and molding him. God had a plan for Jeremiah to be his prophet, and so God consecrated him for this purpose. If you read the entirety of chapter one, you will see that Jeremiah protests that he is too young. But God doesn't take no for any excuse. He touches Jeremiah's mouth and places his spirit in Jeremiah. God also doesn't sugarcoat his message, for He tells Jeremiah that Judah's kings, princes, priests, and finally the people will reject God's plan. God gives his prophet hope and encouragement when he says that he will not abandon Jeremiah but will deliver him from all evil. God also promises us the same if we are faithful.

In the Gospel, Jesus has just finished reading from the prophet Isaiah. Jesus proclaims his mission of liberation and salvation. While the people seem to like what they hear from Jesus, they also know where he comes from. He is the son of Joseph, a hometown boy. They have heard of his miraculous deeds in Capernaum, and they want the same to be done in Nazareth. But Jesus doesn't do any miracles in his hometown because of their lack of faith. Instead, he proclaims that his message of hope and liberation will be given to all people, not just the Jewish people. That strikes a sour note in their hearts, and they react by striking to kill him. Like Jeremiah when the word of God is preached, it often results in rejection and persecution. This incident foreshadows what will eventually happen on the cross.

So, what can we take away from these readings? When

Jeremiah, Jesus, and Martin Luther King Jr. experienced persecution and pushback, they responded not with violence and anger but with non-violence and love. In today's second reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians, Paul elevates love as the highest and most exceptional spiritual gift. Love of our enemies and those who hate is the core of Jesus' message and Martin Luther King's teachings. When we stand up in the world for the Christian message and its values, we will experience persecution and rejection. But if we are faithful to Jesus' message, we must respond courageously and fearlessly with great love. For love is the greatest of all!

~ *Deacon Steve*

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



The Feast of St. Blaise February 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
On Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup> throats will be blessed after Mass.

In honor of the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, candles will be blessed at Mass February 6<sup>th</sup>. Bring your candles from home if you would like them blessed.

VFW Stars & Stripes Breakfast, Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> to benefit DREAM INC. Discount tickets must be purchased in advance. Take outs available. Adults: \$9.50 Child: \$4.50 Under 5 free. For tickets contact Jane Younger 259-3374.

Adoration Chapel needs someone to cover the 10 to 11am, 12 to 1pm, and 5 to 6pm, on Saturdays. Contact Geri Rupp at 785-639-5588.

**Gorham D of I Soup Supper ~ Sunday, Jan 30<sup>th</sup>**

10:30 – 1:30 p.m. *Menu:* Chili, Green Bean Dumpling, Chicken Noodle. Homemade bread, pies, desserts.

Adults \$8; 5-10 years \$4; under 4 Free  
\$10.00 quart carry outs.  
Senior Center Gorham.



First Friday Devotions Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held on February 4, 2022, at St. Joseph's from 12:00 to 1:00pm

When we feel our cross weighing upon us, let us have recourse to Mary whom the Church calls the Consoler of the Afflicted. ...St. Alphonsus de Liguori



**2022 HEARTLAND PARISH MISSION**

February 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>

St. Nicholas of Myra

**Theme: *The Main Thing is to Keep the Main Thing... The Main Thing.***

**FEATURING:**

**FR. RICHARD GIELOW ~ Vincentian**

What is a Mission? Are you so involved in scurrying around with business, children, family, social activities that you have little time for quiet contemplation with God? A mission is a time of special grace when God calls us into a deeper relationship with Him, a time for personal growth, a time to listen to God, a time of spiritual refreshment and invigoration.

*Vincentian Mission Prayer*

*by Saint John Gabriel Perboyre, C.M.*

Divine Savior, transform me into Yourself.

May my hands be Your hands.

May my tongue be Your tongue. Grant that every faculty of my body may serve only to glorify You.

Above all, transform my soul and all its powers,

that my memory, my will and my affections,

may be the memory, the will, and the affections of You

I pray You to destroy in me, all that is not of You.

Grant that I may live but in You, and by You, and for You,

and that I may truly say with St. Paul,

"I live now, not I, but Christ lives in me."



Dolores Pfannenstiel, Theo Leiker, 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.*

St. Nicholas of Myra Blood Drive will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 16, from noon to 6pm, at St. Nicholas Parish Hall. Please contact the Parish Office at 785-628-1446, to make an appointment.



Doctor, Doctor brings you engaging, often humorous, and sometimes serious discussions of practical and current medical topics with a focus on the dignity of the human person – body and soul. Dr. Chris Stroud, Dr. Tom McGovern, and Dr. Andrew Mullally are a trustworthy source of medical information and advice for Catholics... and everyone else! Tune in at 10am on Saturdays.

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**A Family Perspective .....by Bud Ozar**

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village “all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words.” But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.

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Did you know you can offer your holy hour for a priest or seminarian in the Salina Diocese? See the prayer cards in the box on the table in the Adoration Chapel and let these individuals know you are supporting their work and praying for them. It means so much to each of them. Thank you! Vocatio of the Heartland Parishes.

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Daughters of Isabella sponsors bingo at Heritage Bingo, 114 East 12th, on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month. Doors open at 5:30pm. Please come! Your support is appreciated.

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CYO Spaghetti Dinner Sunday,  
February 20<sup>th</sup> HFE Little Theater

MENU Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Italian Sausage Garden  
Salad Garlic Bread Assorted Dessert Items  
Lunch: 11:00AM-1:30PM  
Supper: 4:30PM-7:00PM  
COST \$10.00 Adults \$5.00 Children ages 5-12  
RAFFLE DRAWINGS @ 7:00pm



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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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**CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

Jan. 30 – Feb. 4 – Catholic Schools Week  
Feb. 4 – All School Mass, 10am

HFE Annual Chili Supper & Bazaar Sunday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 4 to 7pm Holy Family Elementary School. We invite you to attend our Chili Supper & Bazaar! Come join us for a delicious meal of chili, hot chicken sandwiches on homemade buns, relishes, your choice of cinnamon roll, pie, brownie (or sugar-free options). Meal tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children (ages 4-12). Children 3 and under eat free!

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**THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**

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

Feb. 3 – JH Early Release at 1pm  
HS Early Release at 1:05pm

Still Seeking a Custodian / Maintenance Employee TMP-Marian Jr/Sr High School is 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.

**HCS Advancement/Alumni Position Open**

Pop Singers Dinner Show All are invited to the annual Pop Singers Dinner Show! You can see the event information on the new TMP-M Music Department Facebook page.

Feb 5 – \$20, dinner at 5:30, show at 7pm.

Feb 6 – \$10, dessert at 1:30, show at 2:30pm.

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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.*