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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

Sunday, November 21st, 2021 ~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Nov 21 8:00 am Kenny & Ann Pfannenstiel
 Wed. Nov 24 7:30 am L/D Eugene & Virjean Reeh family
 Sun. Nov 28 8:00 am Dec'd K of C Members
 Wed. Dec 1 7:30 am Verlin & Elaine Pfannenstiel

SERVERS

Sunday, Nov. 21 Alec Gerstner & Rexton Leiker
 Sunday, Nov 28 Valerie Dome & Jacob Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Nov 21 Lauren Moeder & Bea Suppes
 Sunday, Nov 28 Jenalyn Leiker & Glenn Stramel

LECTORS

OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Nov 21 Ken Richmeier Jason & Kacy Gerstner
 Sun. Nov 28 Jeanette Pfannenstiel Aaron & Kolleen Dome

GREETERS

Sunday, Nov 21 Jerry & Sylvia Gross
 Sunday, Nov 28 Wilbert Gross

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, November 21

Ernie Binder, Jerry Gross, Tony Rohr, Randy Werth

Sunday, November 28

David Leiker, Gary Staab, Caleb Staley, Darold Younker

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, Nov 21 Jeff & Wendy Richmeier
 Sunday, Nov 28 Mark & Dora Leiker
 Sunday, Dec 3 Jason & Rose Carter
 Sunday, Dec 10 Ernie & Lilly Binder

REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Daniel: 7:13-14
 Revelation 1:5-8
 John 18:33b-37

Today we celebrate the feast of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The Church ends the liturgical year by celebrating Christ's sovereignty over the whole world. It is fitting that we celebrate the end in a big way similar to how we might celebrate the end of one's career, the passing of another calendar year, the end of many accomplishments. Yet, while the first reading from the Book of Prophet Daniel has a feeling of power and great fanfare, the Gospel portrays a king ready to be placed on the wooden throne of the cross. Jesus' life hangs in the hands of a political ruler, Pilate, who eventually will send him to suffer crucifixion and death. In fact, Jesus seems to skirt the fact that he is a king. If he claims kingship, it is a spiritual one that is built upon the truth that God is in charge and his kingdom is one of love and justice, not power and force. Only those who uphold the truth are members of his kingdom. If we are to belong to his kingdom, we too will have to suffer and endure the cross, but, like Jesus, will be victorious over the powers of evil and sin that seem to control this world.

Our first reading today comes from the book of the prophet Daniel, as it was last Sunday. This reading is in the genre called apocalyptic literature. While the reading speaks of the final days when a mysterious figure, the Son of Man, will come to rule the world, the reading is meant to give hope to those in the present suffering persecution. After great struggle and suffering, those who are faithful will be vindicated. A complete reading of this book, shows the seer and protagonist Daniel interpreting night visions in which great beasts emerge from the Great Sea, the home of primordial chaos and evil. These beasts represented the Babylonian, Median, Persian, and finally the Greek empire. All these empires had persecuted and tried to destroy the Jewish people. Yet, God's kingdom someday would be victorious over all these worldly powers.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus is on trial, and Pilate has complete power over Jesus' fate. Yet, Pilate is fearful that if Jesus is truly a king, he might usurp his power and so he wishes to squelch any uprising from this lowly itinerant preacher. Pilate fails to realize that Jesus' power is much greater than his, and in reality, Pilate is the one on trial before God. Pilate is guilty of not living according to the "the truth" and recognizing the Son of God and his complete kingship over all. And yet, Jesus must succumb to the powers of this world who send him to his death on the cross. While death and evil seem to be victorious, God raises his son on the third day in the power of the resurrection and makes him Lord of the universe.

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Envelopes \$1485.00
 Loose \$66.00
 Candles \$10.00

Total \$1,571.00



How might these readings impact our lives? Often it seems the world of evil and sin is victorious. It seems that the good suffer while those who do evil thrive. We may become discouraged and wonder how we are to continue to live faithfully the Gospel life. This feast assures us that God is in charge, and good will prevail. Yet, we know that like our crucified king we too must bear our cross. Our suffering and obedience to God's plan will pay off. We must be faithful knowing that Jesus' Good Friday brought about Easter Sunday. Death was followed by resurrection and new life. God has destroyed all sin and its power, but we wait for the final days when his kingdom will be fully realized in the hearts of all who seek the truth.

~ Deacon Steve

Christian Mothers meeting following Mass this morning.



2022 Mass Intentions are now being accepted. At this time, please limit to 3 intention requests. Stipends \$10.00 per Mass.

Contact Lilly to schedule ~ 623-8000

Religious Education:

No Class Wednesday, Thanksgiving Break.

K of C Meeting, Monday, November 22nd at 7:00 p.m.



Join in Unity of Prayer across America to restore the protection of life, family, church, peace and inspire courage in the soul of our nation! **NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE** hosted by/held at St. Nicholas of Myra. Mass Dec 8 from 7-8 pm; 8-midnight: Hourly prayer and praises presented by the parishes of Ellis County. 11-midnight - all time zones united in prayer. Midnight - 7 am - Adoration. 7 am - Benediction and Mass.

COME PRAY WITH US!

Did you know you can offer prayers at your holy hour for a particular religious 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 one. Thank you! *The Vocatio Group of the Heartland*



K of C is sponsoring a "toy drop" for Toys for Tots. If you would like to participate, please bring unwrapped toys and place them in the box in the vestibule. Toys for Tots, a 73-year national charitable program run by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, provides happiness and hope to disadvantaged children during each Christmas holiday season.

Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed: Ring bell for 1 hour time slots - choose between Dillons Stores, Walmart, Walgreens, or Hobby Lobby. **ALL MONEY COLLECTED STAYS LOCAL.** Call 785-621-2794 to sign up!!!



Help Angels Care Home Health bring joy to deserving seniors by donating a gift for the holiday season. They will be collecting gifts from until Dec. 10th. Donations may be dropped off at Dollar General or The Senior Center. For more info, please contact Amy Schuckman at 785-639-6036.

A Family Perspectiveby Bud Ozar

When we are young, our parents "tell us about Jesus" and we believe what our parents believe. At some point we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate's question: "Are you the King?" Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf.

NOVEMBER – READ PASTORAL ORIENTATIONS ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING published to guide and strengthen the work of the Catholic Church across the globe in the fight against the scourge of human trafficking. U.S. Catholic Sisters' website (sistersagainstrafficking.org.)



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.



Catholic Answers Live is a daily LIVE call-in program designed to offer Catholics and non-Catholics alike an opportunity to hear from and talk with some of the leading apologists and theologians in the Church today. This show is hosted by Cy Kellett. Tune in from 5-7 PM on weekdays. The call-in number is 888-318-7884.



Catholic Schools Prayer Warriors is a group of parents and community members in the Hays area, committed to praying for our Catholic Schools, TMP-M and Holy Family Elementary. We pray for the students, faculty, and staff. We remember them at Mass and in Adoration, we pray common devotions such as the Rosary, or we simply mention them amongst our personal prayer petitions and regular spontaneous prayers. In addition, we wish to invite you to join in the regular prayers, namely Mass and Adoration, offered at TMP. If you would be willing to join us in this mission, please email your contact information to CSPW@tmpmarian.org This way we may keep you updated of activities to attend and other ways of supporting our Catholic Schools through this ministry.



Thanksgiving Observance

Count your blessings instead of your crosses;

Count your gains instead of your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes;

Count your friends instead of your foes.

Count your smiles instead of your tears;

Count your courage instead of your fears.

Count your health instead of your wealth;

Count on God instead of yourself.

happy thanksgiving

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
625-3131

Nov 24-26

NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

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

Nov 24-26

NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break

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.

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.

The grotto lighting is Dec. 5. Any group, organization or team can decorate a tree. It doesn't even need to be a formal club or organization. Get a few of your friends together and you can decorate a tree in your style! If interested, contact Ms. Kim Stoecklein in the Advancement Office 625-6577 or email her at stoeckleink@tmpmarian.org

*As the family goes,
so goes the nation,
and the whole world.
Saint John Paul II*

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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 be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.