

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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## FINANCE/PASTORAL COUNCIL

### CHAIRPERSON

Tina Waddell 650-3833

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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. Sept 12 8:00 am +Cody Younger  
 Wed. Sept 15 >>> NO MASS <<<  
 Sun. Sept. 19 8:00 am L/D Francis & Mary Ann Legleiter fam  
 Wed. Sept 22 7:30 am +Ben Brenner

**SERVERS**

Sunday, Sep 12 Valerie Dome & Jacob Leiker  
 Sunday, Sep 19 Logan Leiker & Daunte Younker

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, Sep 12 Rhonda Stramel & Deacon Steve  
 Sunday, Sep 19 Lilly Binder & Bea Suppes

**LECTORS**

Sun. Sep 12 Tina Waddell  
 Sun. Sep 19 Brian Pfannenstiel

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

John & Amy Moeder  
 Nathan & Jenalyn Leiker

**GREETERS**

Sunday, Sep 12 Sid & Joanne Steinert  
 Sunday, Sep 19 Josh & Tina Waddell

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, September 12**

Aaron Dome, Wilbert Gross, Tony Staley, Glenn Stramel

**Sunday, September 19**

Nathan Leiker, John Oborny, Rich Ruder, Sid Steinert

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, Sept 12 Ernie & Lilly Binder  
 Sunday, Sept 19 Tony & Patty Rohr  
 Sunday, Sept 26 Mark & Dora Leiker  
 Sunday, Oct 3 Linda Gross

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes	\$1,455.00
Loose	\$60.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,515.00</b>

**REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN**

Isaiah 50: 5-9a  
 James 2:14-18  
 Mark 8:27-35

When I was a student at Thomas More Prep, Father Mike Scully, the dean of men, used to say that asking the right question or questions was more important than an answer. Asking the right question often gets to the heart of the matter. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples and all of us a key question...who do you say that I am? In asking that question, Jesus wants us to reflect within our entire being what place he has in our lives. Who do we think he is...a great man, a prophet, a wonder worker...or the Messiah who would suffer and die and be raised on the third day? Both the first reading and the Gospel point to a suffering servant. As we grow in our faith, we might have to readjust who Jesus is for us and hopefully our understanding grows to an accurate perception of who he is. And with a deeper understanding of who Jesus is also comes a better understanding of who we are. When we understand ourselves better, we can love others more fully and our God more completely.

In today's first reading from Isaiah, we are presented with one of the four servant songs. These poems express a different image of the messianic king the people long for. The people of Israel were expecting a political, kingly, and powerful warrior. Instead, Isaiah paints a picture of one who is humiliated, mocked, and suffers for the good of all. These poems come from the period when the Jewish people were in exile in Babylon. Scripture scholars don't know for certain whether these suffering servant songs were written about the prophet himself or the entire people of Israel. One thing for certain: the physical, psychological, and spiritual suffering for others, endured by the suffering servant, was a powerful message spoken to all. In today's Gospel, Jesus predicts that he will also have to endure sufferings, rejection, and ultimately death. In his prediction of his passion and death, Jesus reveals to disciples a major clue as to who he is. Up to this point, the evangelist Mark has kept Jesus' true identity hidden from the people and his disciples. Today's episode is a major turning point because Jesus reveals he will not be a powerful political king who will destroy all the enemies of the Jews. Instead, he will be the suffering Messiah who by giving away his life will bring salvation and ultimate freedom to all.

So, if Jesus reveals himself and his identity in today's Gospel, he also reveals the type of disciple that he is seeking. He lays out in no uncertain terms what discipleship will entail. In a nutshell, a disciple of his must

follow the master to the cross of self-denial. To follow Jesus means we give up our ego and our desire for prestige, power, and possessions and follow him to the cross. And he promises us that a life of self-denial will bring true happiness and life. But the world doesn't want to hear that message. The world in which Jesus lived didn't want to hear that message, and it brought him to his crucifixion. Even Peter, the future leader of Jesus' church, didn't want to obey that message. We can take consolation in Peter's reluctance, and know that we also will struggle with taking up our cross. Jesus promises us life, his life. He promises true joy and fulfillment, and he shows us the way. It is the way of true freedom and happiness. We have only to take up our cross and follow him.

~ Deacon Steve



Seed Wheat blessing will take place Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Please place containers on Mary's altar.



100 years ago, a picture of the St. Francis Society of Munjor was taken in front of our church. (*This can be found in the parish 1876-1976 book, page 21.*) It was suggested we recreate this setting asking all men of the parish, 18 years and older to participate. Pictures will be taken following Mass today, September 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Religious Education:** Classes begin this Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Christian Mothers Meeting September 19<sup>th</sup> following Mass. Also, any woman of the parish who is currently not a member, but are interested in joining, you are invited to attend this meeting for more information.

K of C Meeting, Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.

**Stars & Stripes Breakfast** Sunday, Sept. 12, from 7:30am to noon, at the VFW. Proceeds go to the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, Sunflower Chapter - Hays. Adults \$9.50 (\$10 at door); Children 5-12, \$4.50 (\$5 at door). Ticket contact Kevin Rupp, St. Joseph Office.

Holy Cross Church, Pfeifer is hosting a Mass to commemorate the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Sunday, Sept. 12 at 3:00 PM. Celebrants will be Bishop Vincke and Fr. Reggie Urban. Music will be provided by Trilogy. Seed wheat will be blessed. Social in the school building following the Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**The Annual Clergy Renewal Retreat:** The Salina diocesan priests will be gathering this week in Wichita. We pray that they have a spirit-filled, restful week. There will be no Mass here on Wednesday.

**Mark your calendars!** Bishop Vincke and the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1<sup>st</sup> wedding Anniversary and ALL OTHER wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 in 2021. Masses will be celebrated at 3:00 P.M., October 24<sup>th</sup> at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays; and 3:00 P.M., at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church in Salina on Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Registration is available beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> online at [salinadiocese.org](http://salinadiocese.org) or by calling the Family Life Office at (785) 827-8746.



You may remember, the Parish acquired the Munjor School last year. It is our hope to use the building as a venue for weddings, anniversaries etc. Due to the limited parking for these types of events, the Parish Council decided to utilize the area south of the building for additional parking. Bookings are being accepted. Contact Lilly for scheduling. [Guidelines can also be found on our parish webpage.](#)



**'The Doctor Is In'** is hosted by Dr. Ray Guarendi, who brings to the program a wealth of academic credentials and personal life experience. He deals with personal problems, family issues, and professional questions. Listeners love his fun approach and practical advice! Tune in at noon on Tuesdays-Thursdays. The call-in number is 877-573-7825.

**SEPTEMBER** – Think about it...some children are not in school because they are being trafficked. Once they are found, in order to be helped to become survivors and thrivers, they need proper housing -- very much lacking in the U.S. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org))



Special Intentions, Mike Suppes, Chris Brull, John Dreiling, 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.*

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**The St. Nicholas of Myra Knights of Columbus Annual Steak Dinner**, on Sat, Sept. 25, social hour at 6pm, dinner at 6:45pm. Menu: Ribeye Steak (10-12oz.), or Honey Pecan Chicken with baked potato, vegetable, bread, salad, and dessert. \$20 per ticket. Take-out orders available. Contact Glenn Gabel-628-2120 or Kyle Normandin 623-0580

**Knights of Columbus Cash Raffle Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>:**

1 in 20 chance, \$50 donation – winner \$500

\$100 donation – winner \$1,000

For ticket information contact Justin Baalman at 635-3777

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Perpetual Adoration Chapel Notice: Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who have an hour. Please contact the Archangels. Bob & Carol Feauto (12:00am to 6:00am) 628-1429 Lorraine Brungardt (6:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.) 625-3021 Yvonne Demuth (12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) 259-0650 Geri Rupp (6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.) 639-5588 **3 HOURS OPEN: Saturday 12:00 PM Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 10:00 AM**

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

If we want to be happy at home we must commit (“lose ourselves”) to our family. If we try to be independent from others (“save ourselves”) we end up lonely and alone. Happiness is found in commitments. The gospel is true: We save our life by losing it!

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**CENTER FOR LIFE EXPERIENCE**

Healing Hearts: Connect with family members who have lost a child. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs each month.

Healing After Loss of Suicide: Offering hope, encouragement & understanding. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month.

Healing After Loss: Offering hope, encouragement & understanding to those who suffered loss of an adult. Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month.

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**CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
625-3131

Sept 13 Home & School Mtg. 7:00pm LT

Sept 16 Fall Picture Day in uniform

TMP Homecoming Bonfire/TMP campus at dusk

Sept 17 TMP Homecoming Parade & Football

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Cajetan Cash (HFE Fall Fundraiser) Raffle Prizes \$1,000 - \$2,500 - \$5,000 - \$10,000 Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased until Oct. 1. Tickets can be purchased from any HFE student. Drawings will be held on Oct. 8, at 3pm, Live on HFE’s Facebook page.

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**THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**

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

Mon. Sept. 13: 3pm - (HS) JV Golf at Oakley  
4:30 pm - (HS) JV Football vs Russell

Tues. Sept. 14: 9am - 2pm (HS) Float Building Day  
(JH) Cross Country at Hays Middle School  
5pm - (HS) JV/V Volleyball at Oakley  
5pm - (HS) V Soccer vs Garden City

Wed. Sept. 15: (HS) 7:30-9:30am – HC Practice at Lewis Field

Thurs. Sept. 16: 10am - (HS) Golf at Larned  
3pm - (HS) JV Golf at Salina South  
4pm - (HS) C Team VB at Great Bend  
4pm - (HS) JVV Cross Country at Hays  
4:30pm - (JH) Volleyball at Plainville  
6pm - (JH) Football at Plainville  
7pm - Homecoming Activities and Bonfire

Fri. Sept. 17: (JH) Early Release at 1pm  
(JH/HS) Extreme Blue and White Dress  
(HS) Early Release at 1:05pm  
12:30pm - (HS) Homecoming Pep Rally

Sat. Sept. 18: (JH) 9am - Volleyball at Oakley  
(JH/HS) 9am - Garden Club Worktime  
(HS) 10:30am - Powder Puff Football Game at Cripplegate Field  
(HS) 8pm - Homecoming Dance

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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.*