

# St. Francis of Assisi Church

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



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## FINANCE/PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Kyle Jones 785-656-3007

## 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)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun. Aug 13	8:00 am	+Keith Fieler
Tue. Aug 15	6:30 pm	L/D Steve & Jeanette Pfannenstiel family
Wed. Aug 16	7:30 am	+Harlan Boor
Sun. Aug 20	8:00 am	L/D Wilbert & Mary Ann Gross family
Wed. Aug 23	7:30 am	+Ron Smith

**SERVERS**

Sunday, Aug 13	Alec Gerstner & Rexton Leiker
Tuesday, Aug 15	Hayley Gerstner & Reylyn Leiker
Sunday, Aug 20	Jacob Leiker & Logan Leiker

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sun. Aug 13	Jenalyn L, Ken R, Bea S, Tina W.
Tue. Aug 15	Amy P, Peggy R, Tony S, Josh W
Sun. Aug 20	Ernie B, Lilly B, Ken R, Michelle W.

**LECTORS OFFERTORY GIFTS**

Sun. Aug 13	Ernie Binder	Deanna Leiker
Tue. Aug 15	Lilly Binder	David & Claudia Leiker
Sun. Aug 20	Gene Gottschalk	Larry & Gloria Koirth

**GREETERS**

Sunday, Aug 13	Darold & Evelyn Younker
Tuesday, Aug 15	Volunteers
Sunday, Aug 20	Brandon & Brandi Zimmerman

**COLLECTION TEAM**

**Sunday, August 13**

Wilbert Gross, Larry Koirth, John Oborny, Jeff Richmeier

**Tuesday, August 15 ~ Volunteers**

**Sunday, August 20**

David Leiker, Tony Rohr, Josh Waddell, Randy Werth

**TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS**

Sunday, August 13	Ernie & Lilly Binder
Sunday, August 20	Linda Gross
Sunday, August 27	Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, September 3	Jeff & Wendy Richmeier

**FROM THE DESK OF FATHER DAMIAN**

**Wedding Ritual**

Over the past couple of years, I have discussed the wedding guidelines at St. Nicholas and St. Francis parishes with the parish councils and the liturgy committee.

This discussion began with the fact that the wedding ritual changed in 2015 and I wanted to know the best way for us to implement the new ritual. There is great power in the new ritual and it is being woefully underused.

I want to praise all the Councils for the spiritual wisdom shown in our discussions. They were focused on weddings as a chance to evangelize and a time to strengthen families. So, our conversations shifted from the rituals of the wedding day to how we can help a couples' marriage last a lifetime.

Here are the requirements for getting married at St. Nicholas of Myra and St. Francis of Assisi parishes:

1. Marriage Preparation with the "Beloved" series.
2. Attend an Engaged Encounter weekend.
3. Attend a Natural Family Planning Introductory Session.
4. Meet with Cheryl Glassman, Music Director, for help planning the liturgy.

It was also important that I be involved in the preparation process. So, the first meeting with the newly-engaged will be a meeting with me where we review these requirements and why they are important.

May Louis & Zelig Martin, Therese of Lisieux's parents and patron saints of married couples, pray for all couples getting married this summer.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Bishop Vincke as celebrant for our Mass this morning along with his **Year of Mercy Visit** here at St. Francis of Assisi. Please join us after Mass for breakfast, fellowship and the opportunity to visit with Bishop Vincke. *This will be held in the MUNJOR SCHOOL.*



**Tuesday, August. 15, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation.** St. Nicholas will offer Masses on Monday, Aug. 14, at 6pm and Tuesday, Aug. 15, at 7am. St. Francis of Assisi, will have Mass on Tuesday, Aug. 15, at 6:30pm.

**Dear Fr. Damian and St. Francis Parish,** We thank you for your generosity to St. Joseph Parish. Your June gift of \$283.00 to St. Joseph Food Pantry & Diaper Closet is very much appreciated. Thank you for your support as our numbers reflect a need for food support is on the rise.

*Sincerely,  
Rene Michaud, Coordinator*

**Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure**

Envelopes	\$3,211.00
Loose	\$442.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,653.00</b>




**CANDLES:** When the current candles in the basket for take home use are gone they will not longer be available here. Messenger Catholic Store in Hays does carry them and will always have some blessed ones for purchase.

**Is God putting into your heart the desire to become a Catholic?** Do you feel the call to join the Catholic Church? This process of formation will begin on Thursday, Sept. 7, at 6:30pm, in the St. Nicholas Parish Activity Center. For more info contact Deacon Steve at [urbs57@gmail.com](mailto:urbs57@gmail.com) or call 785.650.2931. You must register in advance before the Sept. 7th date.

**St. Joseph Sacred Heart Room** Do you have statues, palms, rosaries, prayerbooks, medals or relics that were given to you or that were your parents' and you just don't know what to do with them? Don't throw them away! Broken rosaries will get repaired and find a new home, palms and other non repairable items will be buried. Many items will find a new home.

**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel** Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who have an hour. Contact Bob & Carol Feauto at 785-628-1429. 2 HOURS OPEN: Saturday 7:00PM-8:00PM Saturday 10:00PM-11:00PM



Carol Legleiter, Special Intentions, Helen Werth, Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Stan Herrmann, 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.*

**BIBLE REFLECTION ~ STEWARDSHIP GOAL**

*"He said, 'Come.' Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus." -Matthew 14:29*

When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

**EVENTS IN THE HEARTLAND**

**Stars & Stripes Breakfast** at the VFW 22nd & Vine, Hays on Sunday, Sept. 10, from 7:30am - 12:00pm. Tickets - Adults \$10.50/Children \$5.50 All you can eat! Tickets: St. Joseph Church (Kevin Rupp) 785-625-7356, Larry Reichert 785-625-5386, Elmer Dreher 785-625-6353 A portion of the pre-sold tickets go to help the local Sunflower Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia.

**The St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council & Bishop Cunningham Assembly** will be having a combined **Family Picnic** on Sunday, August 27th from 5:00 to 7:00pm in the IHM Activity Center. The Knights will be providing the chicken and drinks. We ask that members please bring a side dish or dessert.



**Divine Mercy Radio's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Appreciation Banquet** will take place in two locations: 6pm, Sat., Sept. 9, at The Rose Garden Banquet Hall Hays and 5pm, Sun. Sept. 10, in the Hall of Bishops, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina. Cost is \$55 if purchased before Aug. 20. After Aug. 20, if tickets are still available, the cost is \$60. The cost includes appetizers and adult beverages. guest speakers are the humorous Jack Williams, director of programming on EWTN Radio, and his beautiful wife, Johnnette, who founded Women of Grace Ministries with a television and radio show on EWTN.

To purchase tickets, send your check, along with which banquet you will attend (Hays or Salina). If attending in Salina, please indicate if you wish to have steak or chicken. Banquet Reservations Divine Mercy Radio 108 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. Hays, KS 67601 785.621.4110 or visit [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com). No tickets sold after Sept. 1. Sorry!

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**The Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share is well under way!** This appeal is the primary way we fund the mission of the Diocese of Salina – which is to help other people encounter the saving love and mercy of Jesus Christ. If you have already given, thank you for your "yes!" We couldn't do it without you. If you have not yet given, we invite you to consider making a gift by visiting [join.salinadiocese.org](http://join.salinadiocese.org)

**August –** Are you aware of trafficking in your state? Do you know your state laws that protect victims? Invite a member of your state legislature to talk about laws or a state patrolman to share his/her experiences with trafficking. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org))



The **St. Nicholas of Myra Knights of Columbus** invite you to their Annual Steak Dinner, on Saturday, September 23rd. Social hour at 6pm, dinner at 6:45. Menu: Ribeye Steak (10-12 oz) or Honey Pecan Chicken with baked potato, vegetable, bread, salad and dessert. \$25 per ticket. Take-out orders available. Contact Glenn Gabel at 785-628-2120 or Kyle Normandin at 785-623-0580

**Healing Retreat - For Survivors of Abuse.** September 29th - October 1st. (Begins Friday evening at 5pm and ends Sunday at noon.) Held at Manna House of Prayer Retreat Center, 323 E 5th St, Concordia KS The retreat will include inspiring talks, listening sessions, prayer, Mass, fellowship, spiritual practices, free time and more. Bishop Vincke & Fr. Michael Leiker will join the retreat team. For more info or to register contact wendy.backes@salinadiocese.org or 785-827-8746 ext. 124. Cost is \$25 (scholarships available). **Register before September 1st**

**Diocesan Anniversary Masses 2023** Bishop Vincke & the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary & all other wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 and any anniversaries over 70 years in 2023. Sunday, October 15th at 3PM Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina, Kansas Sunday, October 29th at 3PM St. Nicholas of Myra, Hays, Kansas You may register now to attend by going to the link below or you can call the parish office and we can assist with your registration. No cost to attend. <https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life>

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

The demands of family can be so overwhelming we feel walking on water would be easier. When Jesus was pressured, He dismissed everyone, so he could be “by himself and pray.” When overwhelmed and stressed, go to a quiet place and surrender your pressured feelings to the Lord using Peter’s prayer in today’s gospel: “Lord, save me.”

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



**HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY**

Rachel Wentling, Principal  
(785) 625-3131

- Aug 14 Teacher Meet & Greet
- Aug 15 Holy Day - School Closed
- Aug 16 1st Day of School—Dismiss at 11 (no lunch/bus ASC)
- Aug 17 1st Full Day of School

You can support HFE by recycling your aluminum cans in our trailer across the street North of the school/church in the small gravel parking lot on 19th! Simply bring by a trash bag of them to drop off anytime! We can give your pull-tabs to HHS to support the Ronald McDonald Houses of America! Thanks for your continued support!



**THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**

Chad Meitner, Principal

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

- Aug 14 First Day of Fall Sports Practice
- Aug 15 Front Office Closed—Holy Day
- Aug 16 8 - 11:15 Orientation New HS Students  
1 pm - 3:15 Orientation for 6th, 7th, 8th grades
- Aug 17 1st Day of School HS dismiss at 1:05 pm  
JH Dismiss at 1:00 pm
- Aug 18 6 - 9 Back to School Bash  
HFE 25th Anniversary Celebration

**Theotokos Catholic Homeschool Co-Op**

If you have questions or need to rsvp (all events require RSVP) contact Samantha Baker 785.639.3285 or 14sjbaker@gmail.com Find us 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.*